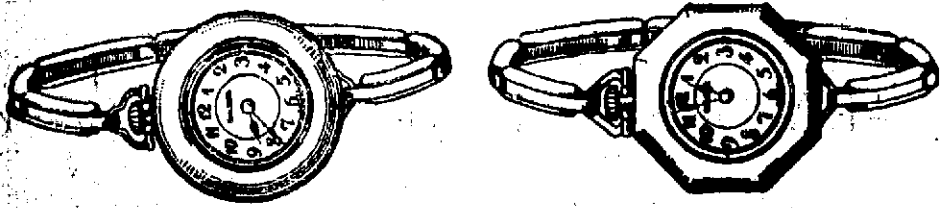




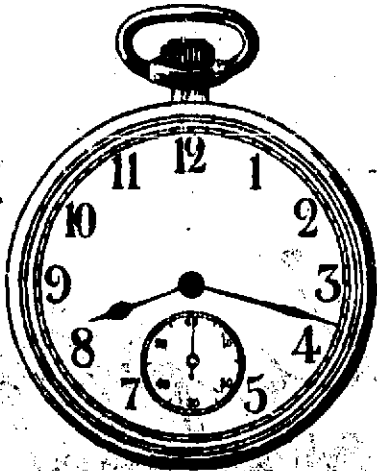
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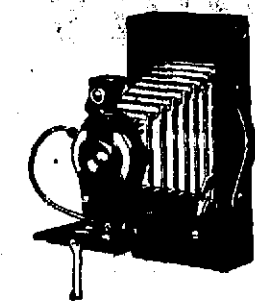
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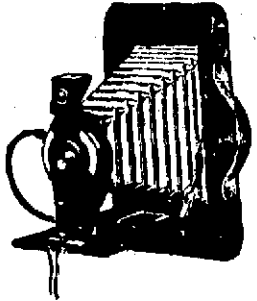
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MISS EDWARDS WILL SPEAK AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Next Sunday at the 11 o'clock service in the Presbyterian church Miss Eva D. Edwards will speak, giving some reflections on what she saw, especially along the lines of social service, in the army camps.

Miss Edwards spent a year in the Y. M. C. A. war work among the soldiers in this country and in France, and her addresses since her return have created a great deal of interest. The public is invited to hear Miss Edwards Sunday morning.

EASTERN LADIES ARE GUESTS AT GAIL HOME

Miss Gertrude Brown, Miss Ella Davidson and Miss Favorite Clough of Corry, Penn., were guests Sunday of Miss Emma Gail at the home of her brother, F. W. Gail of Navilla Place.

CORRECTION.

In a news story, "Reunion of Masonic Lodges in the Sixty-First District," it states that the first Masonic lodge was organized in this valley in 1919. It should have read 1891.

Groves, Residences and Business Blocks Sold

During the past week a healthy activity in the transfer of both city and ranch properties has been maintained.

One of the largest sales of the week has been the transfer by C. C. Cady of his home and ten acre orange grove, on the corner of Citrus avenue and Workman street, to George B. Seofield for a consideration of thirty thousand dollars. Mr. Seofield for the past twenty years has owned an adjacent ten acre orange grove on the corner of Citrus avenue and Rowland. Mr. Cady is closing out his entire citrus holdings in the valley on account of ill health. Mr. Seofield is well pleased with his new purchase, which he states, with an average crop, will more than pay for itself in ten years.

Another heavy transfer is the home place of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Houser, twenty acres of lemons and oranges, on Covina avenue, in the Charter Oak district, to Mr. F. W. Fleming of San Dimas, for a consideration of \$55,000. Mr. Houser also owns a productive citrus grove on the San Bernardino road, west of the Covina city limits.

I. D. Houser and M. Leonhardt, president of the First National Bank, have purchased of Otis Keeling a twenty-acre orange grove on Cienega avenue. Mr. Keeling purchased this property from the Garrett estate about four months ago. The grove, located in one of the best sections of the Covina valley, is about equally planted to Valencia and navel oranges. There is a large eight-room residence on the property. The price paid for the property has not been made public. Mr. Houser has been a resident of Covina for the past thirty years, during which time he has always engaged in citrus culture. He is recognized as an expert in that line.

A. G. Williams of La Canada has sold a 7.25 acre walnut grove, situated on California street, near the reservoir of La Puente Water company, to Geo. Chamberlain. The price paid for this property was \$10,000. The trees are

about thirty years old and are in fine condition. The owner, Mr. Williams, has been a resident of Covina for the past thirty years, during which time he has always engaged in citrus culture. He is recognized as an expert in that line.

In the Irwindale district, J. G. Reh has sold his 19-acre orange orchard on the San Bernardino road to Dr. C. V. Doolittle of Pomona. Consideration \$30,000. This is one of the heaviest bearing groves in the valley.

Mrs. Clara Ayers has sold half of her ten-acre holdings on Orange avenue to F. L. Worley for \$4200. The property is vacant land.

BUSINESS PROPERTIES.

The Hodges block on Citrus avenue, in the very center of the business section of the city, the sale of which was chronicled last week in the Argus, has again been sold at an advance of twenty-five per cent. The original sale was to George W. French, who intended to remodel the property as a show room for the Overland motor car agency. He notified the tenants then occupying the property to vacate. The building was occupied by the Kendall meat market, Edwards & Brandon's barber shop, and a restaurant occupied by George W. Howe. Messrs. Edwards & Brandon held a two-year lease on their room, of which at the time Mr.

ORANGE SHIPMENTS CLOSE NEXT WEEK.

With good weather conditions, the Covina Fruit Exchange will close its orange shipments for the season of 1918-1919 during the coming week, the latest in the history of the orange industry in California.

The Covina Citrus Association estimates that it has some 22 to 30 cars of Valencia yet to pack, and to facilitate these shipments the Covina Orange Growers' Association has loaned the management of the Covina Citrus Association their house and equipment. With this additional equipment this association is now moving five cars of fruit each day.

The total shipments of the associations affiliated with the Covina Fruit Exchange for the season just closing are 1284 cars. Independent shippers have moved in the neighborhood of 300 cars, making a total for the Covina district of about 1600 cars.

The present navel crop is nearly a month late in ripening, and few will be moved from this district before the middle of January. The navel crop this year is light throughout California, and there is no necessity of rushing immature fruit onto the market to relieve the trees.

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY POST TO MEET TUESDAY

The members of the San Gabriel Valley post of the American Legion will be held on Tuesday evening, December 16, at 8 p.m., in the Oddfellows' hall. A full attendance is desired as matters of interest to the post will be discussed.

TWO BLASTS OF SIREN ANNOUNCE "NO SCHOOL"

Two blasts of siren today in Covina or other causes, the pupils will be notified by two blasts on the siren at the fire house at 8 o'clock in the morning.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Holt of Newport Beach have been the house guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Stowell of Cienega avenue.

French was unaware, so the property was divided into three portions and sold. J. F. Kendall purchased the portion of the property he now occupies, Messrs. Edwards & Brandon the room they occupied as a barber shop and the adjoining stairway. The portion of the property occupied by the restaurant was purchased by Mr. George Simeonoff, a local shoe man. Mr. Simeonoff will immediately remodel his property, and possibly move from his present location to his new purchase. The aggregate price paid for the property was \$8500.

The brick two-story block opposite the Covina postoffice, owned by J. C. Clutterbuck, has been sold this week to George W. Howe, a local restaurant man. This property has a sixty-foot frontage on East Badillo street. Consideration \$6,500.

RESIDENCES BOUGHT.

O. J. McKinney has sold a five-room cottage on Howard street to Mrs. Ma Linda Stokles. Consideration not stated. Dr. Helen Pooley Palmer of Pasadena has sold her residence on Orange street to R. A. Meredith. Consideration \$2100. The property was built and occupied for several years by Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Wells and family.

I. Worth Everett, of the Corps garage, has purchased of Messrs. Milliken & Viney, owners of the Covina Lumber Company the five-room colonial cottage now in course of construction on Navilla Place. Mr. and Mrs. Everett will move into the property immediately on completion.

Professor J. J. Morgan of Chino, formerly supervising principal of the Covina schools, has sold his two-story residence, situated at the corner of Citrus avenue and Navilla place, to J. R. Elliott. Consideration \$4500. The property stands on a large lot, 120x175 feet.

The Covina Realty Company reports the sale of a seven-room residence on West Badillo street, the property of William Stevenson, to Mrs. M. W. Johnson. Lot 50x154 feet. Consideration \$1250.

Mrs. Biddick has sold her two residences, one on Howard street and the other on Front street, during the past week. The purchaser of the cottage on Howard street was Fred Carter of Tucker's studio.

Orange Growers' Association Elects Woman As Director

The annual meeting of the membership of the Covina Orange Growers' Association was held on Saturday morning at the offices of the packing house with a large representation of the stockholders present.

The members were supplied with a full report by the secretary and manager, C. E. Crawford, of the business done by the organization during the past year. The report showed that for the season just closed the association had shipped 163 cars of all grades and varieties of oranges, representing 23,649 packed boxes. For these the growers received \$11,121.78 net, or an average of \$2.68 per box. Of these shipments 211 cars were navels, netting the grower \$2,403 per box; Valencia, 247 cars, at an average price of \$2.81 per box; and five cars of miscellaneous varieties which brought the growers \$2.6 per box.

In 1916 the association shipped 143,248 boxes of all varieties, for which the growers received an average price per box of \$1.60; 1917, 220,208 boxes, with average price of \$1.50; 1918, 74,105 boxes, with an average of \$5.11; 1919, 213,649 boxes, at \$2.86 per box.

VALENCIA PRODUCTION.

The report further stated that the production of Valencia was now exceeding the navels. There has been shipped one of the biggest crops of Valencia ever shipped from California, and the association's orchard acreage showed a big increase not only in new orchards coming into bearing, but very heavy crop from old bearing trees.

ONE-POOL SYSTEM.

The report also congratulated the growers on the adoption of the one-pool system, making it possible to so equalize the growers' averages as to give general satisfaction. Owing to the many fluctuating conditions and circumstances that have arisen this year to disturb the market conditions, the one-pool system has proved the one thing possible to stabilize the growers' net returns and eliminate all the guess work as to the best time for the grower to ship in order to get the most money.

ORANGE PRODUCT COMPANY.

The following paragraph from the report, dealing with the organization of the Exchange Orange Products Company, a subsidiary corporation of the California Fruit Growers' Exchange, will be of general interest to the citrus growers:

"This company, organized by exchange associations to handle our culls, has experienced many of the hardships often found in starting out in new lines. At the conclusion of the war, demands for marmalades and jellies fell off to a considerable extent, resulting in a considerable loss volume of business than anticipated at time company was organized. With heavy expenses for advertising 'Sunkist' marmalade and overhead expenses on account of smaller amount of sales, the profits on the season's business have been small, and owing to heavy expense for advertising next year, the directors of the Orange Products Company have recommended that the culls furnished by members this year be carried over into next year, making a two-year pool in one, as the company needs all funds available to put this business on a good paying basis.

"A fresh fruit department has been added, selling to local markets the best grade of culls in their fresh state, thus utilizing the culls for marmalade that have heretofore been hauled to the wash. This fresh fruit department has

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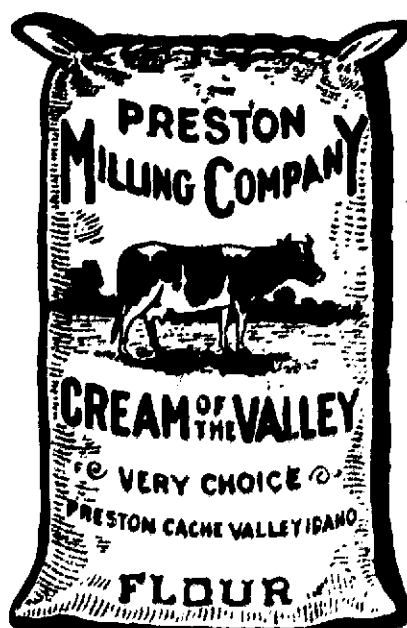
William Farnum in "Wolves of the Night"

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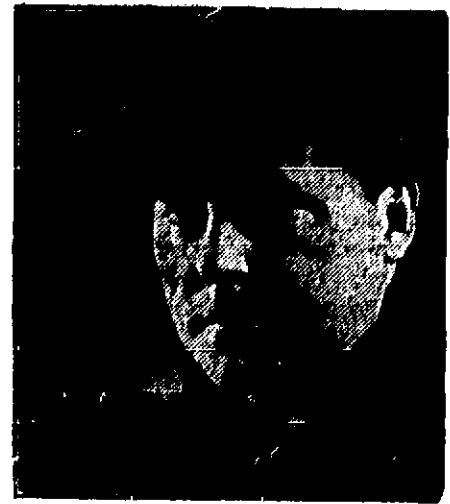


Cream of the
Valley Flour

Farnum's Realism Creates Sensation

William Farnum, the William Fox star, made a truly dramatic sensation lately, without intending it, in the Fox studios, when filming his latest photo-drama, "Wolves of the Night," which calls for a powerful portrayal of insanity—a strong powerful man suddenly driven insane.

When Farnum was picturing these particular scenes for the William Fox production, appearing at the Star theater, Wednesday and Thursday night of next week, working them up to the artistic perfection for which he always aims, he held a spellbound audience in the studio.



When, as Bruce Andrews he comes out of a mine explosion, his mind unbalanced, Farnum seems to have added years to his age.

In making this scene Farnum's portrayal was intensely realistic and distinctly out of the ordinary. Women present grew pale, and men stood absorbed and one little extra girl gulped aloud. He seemed to be in very fact the maniac he played.

In preparing for this picture, one of the most powerful he has yet produced, Farnum, with his usual studious care, made an investigation of the type of insanity he was called on to show, for when William Farnum goes after realism on the screen he makes no child's play of it.

In contrast with this magnificently acted bit, this careful actor shows the other side of the shield in the man and strength of the devoted husband and lover.

SUM OF MONEY RAISED FOR "LIVING LINK"

Mrs. W. G. Conley, wife of the Rev. Mr. Conley of Ontario, delivered the address at the morning service at the Christian church last Sunday, an inspiring talk on missions with direct reference to the mission fields of the Christian church and especially the work of the representative from the Covina church, their "Living Link," Mrs. Dr. Pearson, formerly Miss Evelyn Utter, daughter of the Rev. J. W. Utter. Following her address an opportunity was given the church members to contribute to the thousand dollar fund for her support at Bolengu, Africa, which the C. W. B. M. had pledged. A large blackboard containing five hundred squares, each representing two dollars, or a day's support, was placed in front of the church and two members marked off the squares as fast as taken. In a few moments the amount asked for had been pledged and fifty over, the latter used for the support of a native helper in Bolengu.

EASTERN STAR HONORS NEW DEPUTY GRAND MATRON

La Paloma chapter of the order of the Eastern Star held a large reception at the Masonic hall Tuesday evening in honor of Mrs. Charles E. Paige, who has recently been elected district deputy grand matron of the order. The invited guests included besides the members of the home chapter, three members from each of the eight chapters of the thirty-ninth district.

The hall was beautifully decorated with Christmas colors, and over one hundred were present during the evening. Music was furnished by a trio consisting of Miss Ollie Jones, violinist, of Glendora; Mr. E. R. Hubert of Azusa, clarinet; and Miss H. Johnson of Claremont at the piano. Mrs. John Brumjes of Glendora gave two vocal solos. An address of welcome was given by the patron, Otis Dudderar, which was responded to by the worthy matron, Mrs. Paige, who was presiding in that capacity for the last time.

The chapter presented Mrs. Paige with a beautiful pottery vase, and Mr. Dudderar, the patron, presented her with a set of crocheted dollies. Delicious refreshments were served.

FRANK JESSUP BREAKS LEG IN ACCIDENT

Mrs. Solon Jessup has received word from her son, Frank, who is attending school at Berkeley, that he is out of the infirmary after being confined there for two weeks with a broken leg. The motorcycle he was riding collided with an auto on one of the streets in Berkeley. Neither machine was damaged, and Frank is again able to resume his studies with his leg in a plaster cast.

Church News

First Baptist Church: A. Watson Brown, minister. Sunday-school, 9:45; Herbert L. Healy, superintendent. Morning worship at 11 a.m. B. Y. P. U. at 6:30. In connection with the morning service there is a short sermonette for children. Bible study class on Wednesday evening at 7. Prayer-meeting on Wednesday evening at 7:45.

"The Mind of Christ" will be the subject of the morning sermon. In the evening the pastor will speak on "Bolshevism; Its Cause and Cure."

Methodist Episcopal Church: College street near Citrus avenue. W. C. Geyer, pastor. R. T. Chew, Sunday-school superintendent. Dorothy Dukes, chorister. Mrs. R. T. Chew, pianist. Sunday-school at 9:45, followed by morning worship at 11. Epworth League at 6:45 p.m., followed by public worship at 7:45 p.m. Mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Pastor's sermon subjects: Morning, "A Church, As a Wise Master-Build-er"; evening, "Exchanging Presents vs. a Christian Christmas." Special music at both services in charge of Miss Dorothy Dukes.

Presbyterian Church: Rev. Chauncey A. Foreman, pastor. Italia and Second streets. Sunday-school, 9:45 a.m.; V. R. Ross, superintendent. Morning sermon, 11 a.m. Junior C. E., 4 p.m. C. E. Society, 6:45. Evening sermon, 7:45. Mid-week service, Wednesday, 7:45.

Miss Eva D. Edwards will speak at the morning service, giving some echoes of her experiences as a Y. M. C. A. worker with the soldiers. Evening sermon by the pastor. School of missions at 6:30. Special music by the quartet at morning and evening services.

Evangelical Lutheran St. John's Church: Rev. H. O. Michel, pastor. Church Third and Dexter streets. Sunday-school 9:15 a.m.; morning service 10:30.

Subject for sermon next Sunday: "Stewards of God." Text I Cor. 4:1-5. The children taking part in the Christmas program will meet for rehearsal on Saturday morning at 9 a.m.

Christian Church: J. W. Utter, pastor. Park street and San Bernardino road. Sunday-school, 9:45 a.m.; Ton-

Johnson, superintendent; morning sermon, 11 a.m.; C. E., 6 p.m.; evening sermon, 7:45; midweek services, Wednesday, 7:45 p.m.

Rev. Utter will occupy the pulpit morning and evening.

Church of the Sacred Heart (Catholic): Father M. H. Geary, pastor. Church at Fifth and Center streets. Mass at 8 a.m.

First Church of Christ, Scientist: Church edifice, Center and Third St. Sunday-school, 9:45. Morning service, 11. Wednesday evening testimonial meeting, 8. Reading room, 136 West Badillo street, open from 2 to 4:30. The public is cordially invited to the services and to the reading room.

Church of the Brethren: George F. Chamberlen, elder in charge. Third and Puente streets. Sunday-school, 10 a.m.; morning sermon, 11 a.m.; Christian Workers' meeting, 6:45; evening sermon, 7:30 p.m.; mid-week services on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Holy Trinity Episcopal, Cor. Third and Badillo Sts. Rev. L. M. Idleman, Rector. Third in Advent. Holy Communion, 7:30 a.m. Sunday-school, 9:30 a.m. Morning prayer and sermon, 11 a.m. No evening service. Evensong and sermon in Grace mission, Glendora, 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 18, Holy Communion, 7:30 a.m. All are welcome.

Start the New Year with a subscription to the Argus. It will interest your home every week in the year for \$2.00.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of Covina Valley Savings Bank will be held at the office of the corporation on January 20th, 1920, at ten o'clock a.m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

R. M. PHILLEO, Secretary.
2-16-20

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of The First National Bank of Covina will be held at the office of the corporation on January 13th, 1920, at ten o'clock a.m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

R. M. PHILLEO, Secretary.
2-9-20

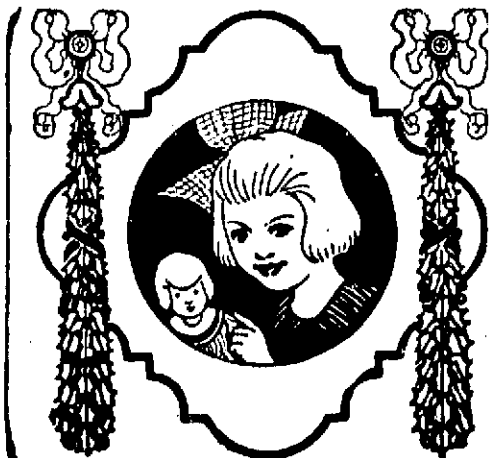
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For the Best Baby in the World

The youngest member of the family will be remembered, of course. Those who have little tots in their home will find our infants' section an ideal place for Christmas buying.

Dainty little articles of apparel and everything necessary for baby's comfort and entertainment are displayed. There are bonnets, booties, dresses, kimonos, bath robes, carriage robes, bunnings, knitted sets, jackets—and toys, rattles, baby sets, etc.

Dainty Gift Handkerchiefs

Whether it is a little square of fine embroidered silk or linen, or the most modest bit of initialed lawn, handkerchiefs are always welcome.

Our displays are large and well assorted, and you can select what you want.

He Likes the Practical Gift

Men like wearable things for gifts, and we have large and varied assortments of the holiday apparel and accessories that particular men choose for themselves.

Lakeside Silk and Fibre Silk Shirts make ideal gifts for men. We show all the latest patterns in all sizes, at \$7.50 to \$8.50.

A pair of Burlington Silk Hose in his favorite shade will certainly please him.

One of our beautiful new Lakeside Silk Cravats will bring a happy smile to his face. We have them in various patterns and at several prices.

Some Shoe Bargains For Men With Small Feet.

Remaining from lines bought this fall are several pairs in small sizes. Both English and round toe lasts in excellent tan and black leathers. All are extra big values.

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For a gift for the best girl in the world, choose a pair of Ivanhoe Silk Gloves.

Don't forget the smallest but most important member of the family—the baby. In our infants' section are the cutest baby clothes you ever saw.

Those large, beautiful Silk Cravats—a gift that he will like, because he can wear it.

W. B. BROADWELL

Librarian Talks About Books to Covina Ladies

Just simply to see and inspect a score of the new gifts was a delight, but to have an expert tell of the special attractions of each added to the pleasure of the ladies of the Monday Afternoon club at their meeting this week.

Through the kindness of Mrs. W. A. Jones, who through her local public library at her home, is in close touch with book centers, Miss Helen Vogleson, assistant to the county librarian, was secured to come out for the first book day of the year for the local club, and her talk on "Books Worth While," especially discussing the latest and best Christmas books, was instructive. Fully informed and up-to-date upon popular volumes and their authors, Miss Vogleson was very entertaining. As she talked, the large number of books brought with her, was shown and passed about the audience. Some of the books discussed were:

The club opened with two piano solos by Mrs. George Phillips, followed by two vocal duets by Mrs. C. A. Foreman and Miss Gertrude Hulec. The applause which followed the close of each number showed that the club members enjoyed the treat.

The decorations, in charge of Mrs. Floyd Wilson, were in holly and green, the Christmas tone being very effective.

The next meeting, December 22, will be in the nature of a Christmas party, especially arranged for the joy and pleasure of the children, older and younger, of the club members. All arrangements for the afternoon will be of a Christmas nature, decorations, music, stories by Mrs. Francis S. Fultz of Los Angeles and special Christmas goodies for the children. In order that the Christmas spirit may be fully carried out, each child attending is asked to bring a book or toy suitable for the poor children in some hospital. Fuller details will be given next week.

W. C. T. U. WILL CELEBRATE NATIONAL PROHIBITION

It was an interested and wide-awake group of temperance women who met last Friday at the home of Mrs. H. M. Houser for the regular bi-monthly meeting of the local W. C. T. U. Everywhere the white-ribboners are rejoicing these days over the situation of temperance in our own country and the rapid turning toward prohibition in other lands, France, Brazil and England being in the front rank of those countries thinking, discussing and pondering the advantages of being on the water wagon. In all these countries prominent leaders are outspoken in their advocacy of the reform.

Mrs. Hattie Corline Young, state recording secretary and head for this county of the present campaign for both new members and funds for now and broader work, was the guest of honor and speaker of the afternoon. No one who heard her thrilling appeal for helpers in the special need of today could fail to rally to the work before all Christian people today.

Plans were discussed for the local work, and it was decided to observe, with temperance people everywhere in this country, January 16, when national constitutional prohibition becomes the law of the land, with appropriate ceremonies and thanksgiving program. In order to raise the quota given the local W. C. T. U. for state and national work under the new plans, it was decided to have two or more entertainments, after the holidays, one of which will be a good old-fashioned minstrel show, with all the good and dignified women taking active part. Mrs. Young, who has a wide and successful experience as a musical trainer, will assist with the entertainment.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Utter next Friday afternoon, from 2:30 to 4:30.

FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF ENGAGEMENT OF COVINAITES

Mrs. C. H. Coffman of West Center street entertained Saturday afternoon at cards, at which time she formally announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Leota, to Mr. Clyde King, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. L. King of this city, the marriage to occur in February.

The message was borne to the guests in each deck of cards, the ace of hearts bearing the names of the two contracting parties. Yellow daisies and blue corn flowers were used in decoration throughout the parlors, and the tally cards and refreshments were carried out in the same colors. Prizes for high and low scores in five hundred were won by Mrs. Virgil Hall and Miss Doris Snodgrass.

The guests were Mrs. Virgil Hall of Pasadena, Misses Alpha and Pearl Adair and Irene and Gladys Pendleton of Los Angeles, Misses Eileen Griffiths, Ethel Fisher, Marian Warren, Doris Snodgrass, Kathryn Lipke, Eulalia Bainbridge, Dollina and Bertha McKay, and Myrtle Speer.

Mrs. Coffman was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. E. R. Coffman and Mrs. T. H. Costenbader.

Uncle Josiah's Christmas

By GRAHAM LINGFIELD

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HE street cars were crowded and the little man standing on the sidewalk hitched the collar of his coat a bit higher and allowed the women and children, with arms laden with parcels, to clamber aboard ahead of him. It was Christmas eve, and the holiday spirit was all about him. Not that Josiah Miggs had been Christmas shopping. Oh, no. He was just on his way from business.

He took another wistful peep at the girl on the boarding opposite and resigned himself to seeing another loaded car go by without stopping. The fact of the matter was that Jos Miggs was about the loneliest little old man in little old Manhattan, and alibi as it may sound, he had adopted a girl on a boarding—an advertising girl—as his friend. Every day as he went to and from the real estate office where he worked he always glanced up at the boarding as he passed, and the girl always seemed to smile back at him in a cheery, encouraging manner. Tonight he did not feel that he could think too much about the girl on the boarding because, when one has only a very lonely Christmas to look forward to, thinking about impossibilities only makes matters worse. So Jos humped his shoulders to the cold wind that was blowing and waited for another car.

It was a sounding thwack that fell on his shoulders as he stood there, and Jos had to gasp for breath before looking around to see what had hit him.

When he did, however, all he could see was a round, grinning face ever so high up looking down into his. He stared at it in perplexity a moment, then wheeling around exclaimed:

"Why, Tom!"

The tall young man stood and grinned while Jos looked him up and down.

"When did you strike town, Tom? I haven't seen you since you were a little bit of a feller."

"Two months ago, Uncle Jos. I got a job with Billings & Kent, the hardware people. I've been looking for you, uncle."

"Well, well, Tom. I'm glad to see you. Suppose we go along and have some dinner together, eh? How would that be?"

The big young man shook his head. "Sorry, uncle," he said, "but it can't be done. I'm—I'm promised somewhere else."

Mr. Miggs gave him a sly, sidelong glance. "So that's the way the wind blows, eh?"

The young man reddened. "I—I promised," he stammered. Then a bright idea striking him, he grasped his uncle by the arm.

"But I tell you what, uncle, you come along with me."

Uncle Jos shrank back in his overcoat. What, he butt in where he was not wanted? No, indeed. He dragged his arm out of Tom's grasp. "Nonsense, Tom," he said. But Tom held on.

"Now look here, uncle; you're the only relative I have in this city. You



"You Come Along With Me."

just have got to come along and be introduced."

And as Tom was nearly three times as big as Uncle Jos, he almost lifted him bodily into the street car that happened to be waiting, and away they went.

It was with some trepidation that Mr. Miggs followed his nephew into the neat little flat where Tom's fiancée lived. He did not feel at all sure of his welcome. He was only in his business clothes, and he knew quite well that his collar was none too fresh. Well, it was Tom's fault for dragging him there. He would just say how do you do and then escape—escape to his boarding house and—

He found himself ensconced in an easy chair in the cozy parlor. There was nobody else about, but sounds from the kitchen indicated that some-

body was busy. Tom took a chair, too, and then started in to tell him all about it.

Ethel Westcott was a stenographer at Billings & Kent's and Tom had fallen in love with her the very first day he had gone there. She lived alone with her mother, her father having died some years ago, and Tom and she hoped to be married very soon. Just as soon as he had saved something to start on. Then suddenly Tom sprang up, exclaiming:

"Gee, uncle, I forgot to buy the cigars!" and seizing his hat from the hatstand, fled, leaving Mr. Miggs all by himself in the parlor. For the moment Uncle Jos didn't know whether to jump up and follow Tom or to sit where he was.

But Tom was gone, and there was nothing for him to do but to sit still. What an awkward predicament to be in! To be left in a strange house where nobody knew who he was. Supposing somebody were to come in—how was he to explain himself? He was just wondering what on earth he should say, when sure enough footsteps sounded down the passage. They approached the room.

Uncle Jos cowered in his chair. What a stupid Tom was to leave him like that! Suppose they took him for a burglar or something. Uncle Jos dared not look up. The footsteps were almost at the door. They ceased. Mr. Miggs dared scarcely breathe. He sat as if petrified. What would happen?

A scream, perhaps, a yell of fright! No, nothing happened. Perhaps it was only Tom standing there, after all. At



Smiling Down at Him as Usual.

last the trembling little man screwed up his courage and raised his eyes. For a moment he thought he must have fallen asleep and dreamed of the girl of the boarding.

She was actually there and smiling down at him as usual. The same bright face and curling hair, the merry eyes with the friendly glint in them. Was this Tom's girl? Why, he seemed to have known her all his life. He rose to his feet, a tentative smile on his pale cheeks. He didn't know what to say, but there was no need, for the girl stepped forward.

"Uncle Jos, I'm sure," she smiled. "I've heard Tom speak of you so often."

He waited while she crossed the room to him and took his hands in hers. She stood before him, speaking words of kindness and welcome. "We've been thinking of you and wondering how we could find you. Tom said that you were all alone, and we could not have enjoyed our Christmas thinking that." She stooped and kissed his cheek. Wonderingly Tom's uncle looked at her, tears of gladness in his eyes.

No need for introductions, no need for explanations; just friendliness and hospitality. And when presently Ethel's mother came from the kitchen, and Tom returned from his shopping, it was just like a family gathering. Of course they made him stay to supper, and afterward to help hang the decorations, and when at last he said good-by their voices followed him down the street "A Merry Christmas, Uncle Jos, and mind you come early tomorrow."

SOWING CHRISTMAS SEED

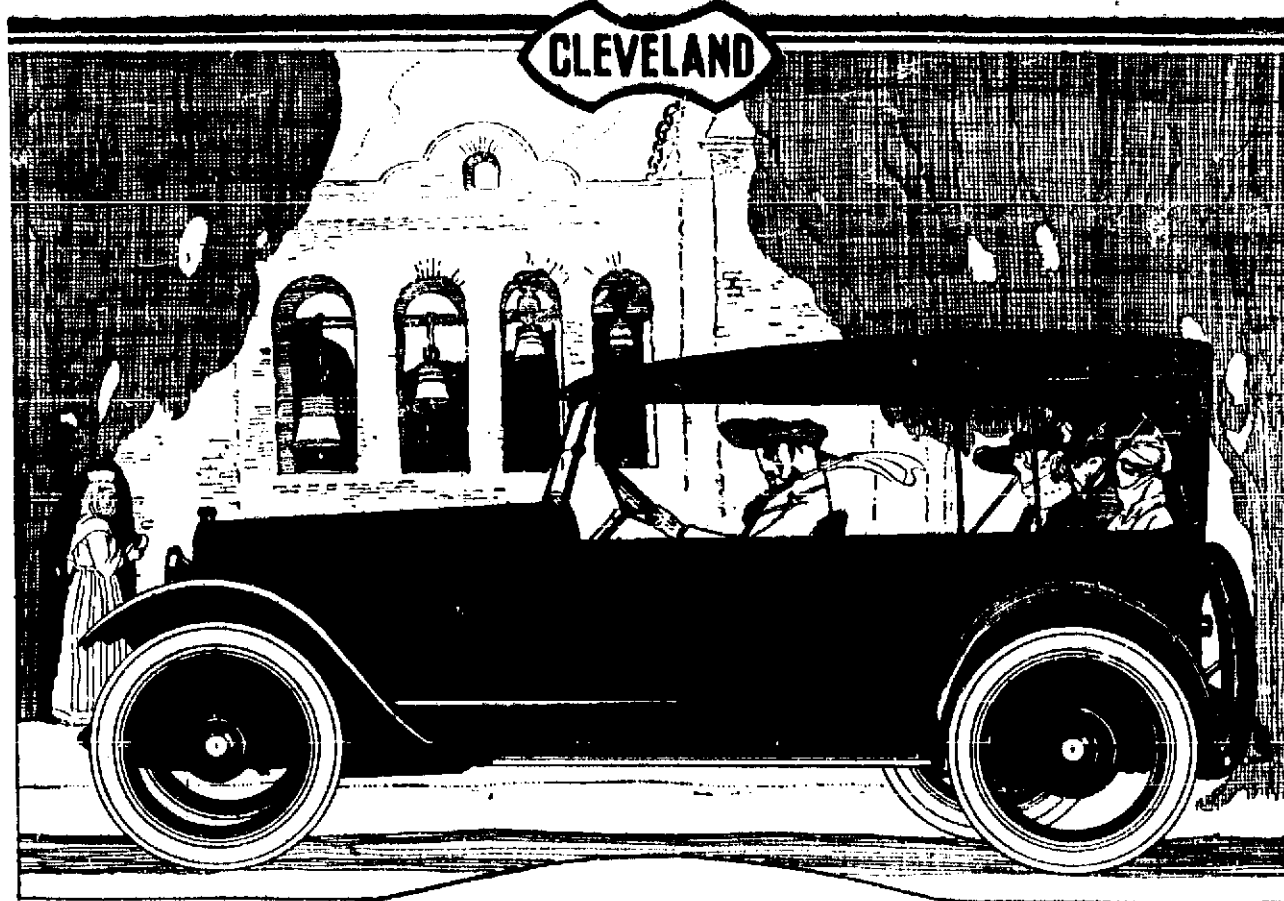
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"Might give them away for Christmas," suggested the head of the house.

"That wouldn't do at all," said the wife. "But I'll tell you what we will do. You know, there's a lot of people we know who won't think to send us any presents this year unless we bring the matter to their attention in some way. Now, if I send every one of my friends a nice basket of apples this week they'll all remember our existence and we'll get something from almost every one. I'll just do it."

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Electrical Articles Make Suitable Christmas Gifts

Electricity in the home is in more common use in Southern California than in any other section in the world. This statement was made by a local electrical dealer yesterday. When asked why, he replied that there are several reasons. One is the low rate charged for electricity here. Another is the fact that the home maker of Southern California demands a quick, clean way of doing her work so that she may get out and enjoy the climate.

This is the very reason that electrical appliances make such ideal Christmas gifts. To explain how there was an electrical appliance suitable as a Christmas gift for every member of the family, the dealer went into detail. He took each room of a house. From the basement to the attic he climbed, showing every room with its electrical appliances. In the cellar, where several batteries once supplied the energy for the doorbell, a small device now takes the juice off the light wire. In the screen porch near the laundry trays he displayed the washing machine, the iron, the mangle. In the kitchen he showed the electric range, the egg-beater, the ventilating fan, the electric ice-making machine on the ice box, and the electric dishwasher.

Then he stopped in the closet just off the entry, and there stood the vacuum cleaner, with the electric floor waxer. In the dining-room were the plate warmers, the percolator, the heater in the corner. In the breakfast room stood a whole shelf of appliances. Grills for small steaks, devices on which to fry pancakes or eggs, an ovenette for baking light rolls, a turnover toaster, and a smaller heater than was used in the larger room.

The phonograph in the living room was driven by electricity. In the drawing room stood a beautiful grand piano, which was electrically operated. Out on the porch where the family sit,

was a fan. From there he passed to the upstairs. In the bathroom stood a heater of still another design. The shaving appliances were on display, and an electric immersion heater to heat the water for shaving or washing. In the boudoir was a vibrator, a curling iron, a hair drier, a massage appliance, a heating pad for the bed and a device to make marcelle waves. Then the sewing room with its motor-driven machine was displayed.

The dealer was enthusiastic. He had a right to be. Mother says today when thinking of the old place where she was raised: "Home was never like this." Take these appliances out of the residence of today, and you have few comforts left. Yet many homes are not completely electrically equipped and this Christmas many people are giving electrical appliances because of their usefulness.

The energy that is used to run these devices is at the city's door. In the mountains, hundreds of miles from here, are the great hydroelectric plants of the local companies. Here the power is generated by water, by the endless mountain streams. Then it is brought over a small wire to the city. When the power is generated and released, it is of high voltage. This is carried over the desert stretches and high mountains to the small units here. It is then transformed into low voltage current and is ready for use in the home. It is always on tap. There is no need to lay in a winter's supply of this fuel. It is there when you want it, and turned off when you are through. There is no waste, no short measure, no over-supply to save until it is needed. Just what you want, just when you want it.

Mrs. J. V. Smith and son, Van, spent last week in Riverside attending the university short course on bee culture.

IDEAL WEATHER NOW PREVAILING.

RAINFALL.	
December 5	4.5
Previous for the season	5.24
Total for the season	5.69
Same date last year	2.63

The rainfall since the last issue of the Argus has been .45 of an inch, which fell in gentle showers on Friday.

The weather during the past week has been ideal—breezing, sunny days, with cool nights, which will hasten the coloring of the navel orange crop.

LOCAL RANCHER AFFLICTED WITH PECULIAR AILMENT

Mr. Robert Headley, rancher of West Cypress avenue, has been seriously ill during the past week. He was taken with severe pains in the head, his eyes rapidly becoming affected so that everything appeared confused and objects became triplicated. Several doctors and specialists have seen him during the past week, but none has been able to diagnose his peculiar case.

His eldest son is just recovering from a very severe attack of inflammation of the bowels, which has confined him to his room for the past month.

COVINA MEN MAKE HUNTING TRIP TO SALTON SEA

Sam Aschenbrenner, George Aschenbrenner, J. P. Overholzer and Andrew Lund left Saturday on a hunting trip to the Salton sea district, returning on Thursday.

YOUNG MEXICAN GIRL DIES AT HER HOME IN PUENTE

The death occurred Saturday of Rosa Longez, a fourteen-year-old Mexican girl, at her home in Puente. Funeral and interment were held Monday, at the Oakdale cemetery.

PYTHIANS ELECT OFFICERS FOR ENSUING YEAR

The following officers were elected as officers of the Covina lodge of the Knights of Pythias for the coming year at the recent meeting: George Maxfield, C. C.; Wm. H. Brandon, V. C.; M. J. Edwards, prelate; James A. Mead, M. of W.; James A. Arnold, K. of R. S.; J. L. Lough, M. of F.; George A. Daniels, M. of E.; M. E. Matthews, M. of A.; E. Clutterbuck, I. G.; M. Middaugh, O. G.

On Wednesday, Dec. 10, about thirty-eight members journeyed to San Bernardino to join the D. O. K. K. Gus Anderson, A. Aronheim, H. D. Gant, Dailey Stafford, Clyde Stephens, H. Casey, R. Coolman, W. H. Daniels, Tom Guthrie, G. W. Kirby, H. McPheeters, Chas. Bennett, W. Johnson, Clark Chapman, Harry Gager, H. Warren, Robert Cone, Allen Congleton, Geo. H. Maxfield, E. Edgett, George Daniels, W. R. Daniels, Ernest Clutterbuck, Dr. Wallace Reed, H. Westhorpe, Geo. Semler, M. E. Matthews, Robert Hamilton, Oliver Sedlacek, Preston C. Freed, Raymond Daniels, Harold Cone, Jack L. Lough, R. Wren, J. M. McGee, Trask Gant.

A committee has been appointed by the lodge to look into the matter of a site for a new home.

STATE TRAINING CONFERENCE FOR CHRISTIAN LEADERS

One of the most important gatherings of the leaders of Protestant churches ever held in California is scheduled to take place at the First Congregational church of Los Angeles, December 17, 18 and 19, is the State Training conference for Christian leaders, conducted by the Interechurch World Movement of North America.

This conference in Los Angeles is one of a series of state training conferences being held this month in every state. The speakers of the Los Angeles conference will be Rev. James E. Crowther, of Seattle, Rev. William E. Doughty, of New York and many others of national fame.



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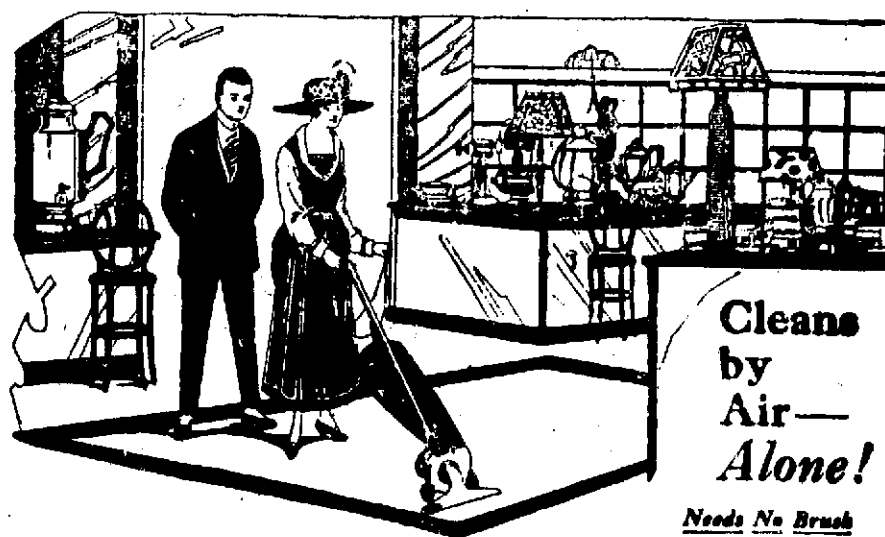
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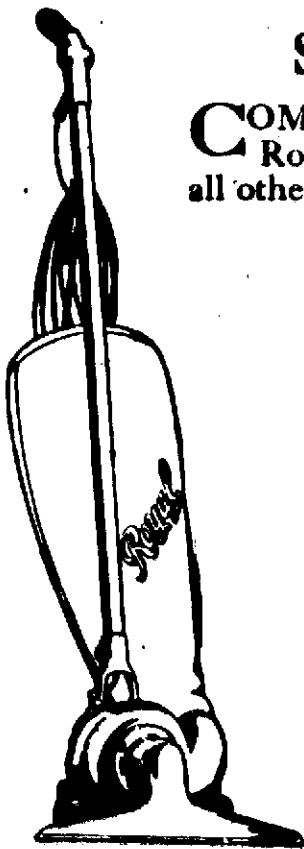
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Local Happenings

See Mrs. Ella S. Bonner for fire insurance. 148 Cottage Drive. Telephone 857.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hall of Pasadena spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. B. L. King of San Bernardino road.

Mr. William Hargess of Cottage Drive has returned from a few days spent at Murrieta Hot Springs. He leaves Sunday for San Jacinto Hot Springs to spend a few days or a week.

The sewing club of the Rebekah lodge met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. S. L. Spencer on Howard street. The gentlemen joined the party at the supper hour and were served with a picnic supper. Games and music followed.

Mrs. J. M. Smith and daughter, Miss Evelyn, will spend the week-end with Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Siewert in Pasadena.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hartley of Ontario were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. McIlhann of West Badillo street.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Y. Lopley of Belding, Nebraska, arrived on Sunday at the home of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Waldo L. Smith of Navilla Place, and will spend the winter with them. Mr. and Mrs. Lopley were winter visitors here two years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Whitlock are entertaining a cousin of the former, Mrs. Berry of Paris, Texas, who will spend some time in Southern California.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Walters of San Bernardino road will spend the week-end with the latter's parents, Rev. and Mrs. A. Goetz of Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Job Trout have with them this week Mr. and Mrs. A. Musser and three daughters of Lonotree, Iowa, who are spending some time in Southern California.

Miss Fern Lakin, who has been living with her aunt, Miss Sara Beckard of West Center street, has accepted a business position in Fresno.

Miss Fleta Bisbee was the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gray of Citrus avenue on Monday evening.

Rev. B. G. Lee of Sacramento has been visiting his mother, Mrs. G. W. Lee of Cicnega avenue, this week.

Mr. Wellington Lee of Los Angeles has been the guest the past week of his brother, Charles Lee, of Ben Lomond avenue.

Mrs. R. L. Hendrix and Mrs. Ellis Parker Butler attended a lecture by Kate Upson Clark, the well-known authoress, in Pasadena Tuesday afternoon.

It is requested that the Masons and members of the Eastern Star bring to the hall at the time of the joint installation meeting to be held on December 16th their donations of canned fruit and preserves for the Masonic home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Haynes of West San Bernardino road entertained Saturday evening at cards. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Stealing of San Dimas and Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Brittain.

Mrs. A. D. Wiley of Altadena, formerly of Covina, was in Covina several days this week calling on old friends and looking after business interests.

Mrs. Charity Smart and her daughter, Miss Elizabeth, of Los Angeles, formerly of Covina, were recent dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Solon Jessup of East Badillo street.

Mrs. Leila Craigmiles will entertain the kindergarten pupils with a birthday party in the kindergarten rooms this morning in celebration of the fifth birthday of her daughter, Doris.

Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Siewert and family of South Pasadena were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. J. M. Smith of College street.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. McDowell were guests Thursday and Friday of Dr. O. P. Shoemaker of West Center street. Mr. and Mrs. McDowell are on their way to their home in Fresno after a visit in Clay Center, Nebraska.

The Newcomers' Club will meet on Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Brock on North Citrus avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Overholzer entertained at Sunday dinner Mr. and Mrs. William Aschenbrenner and Mr. Dave Ebersole.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Adair of Los Angeles and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Zug and family of Redlands were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Coffman.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Viney and sons were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Newsom at Garden Grove.

Miss Mary Carlin and Miss Nina Fulton of Alexandria, Virginia, are the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clay H. Bentlie of Rowland avenue.

Dr. James Anderson of Fort Worth, Texas, arrived this week at the home of his mother, Mrs. George Anderson of Puente street.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Corey of Cleveland, Ohio, and Miss Carrie Holly of Los Angeles were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Holly of East Badillo street.

Christmas gifts of auto veils and caps, ribbon for hairbows and fancy work, and a splendid line of ostrich feathers can be found at Miss Sara Reckard's Millinery Store. 12-19

The Misses Eunice and Grace Outland of West Center street had as Sunday guests Mr. Otto McClure and family of Santa Ana, their nephews, Ross and Harry Outland of Modesto, Mrs. Pooley of Polo, Illinois, Mrs. Elizabeth Sanborn and daughter, Miss Mary Sanborn, J. A. Sanborn and daughter, Miss Ethel Sanborn, and Miss Crystal Gates and mother of Covina.

Mrs. J. S. Eckles of West Center street is entertaining two old school friends, Miss Watts and Mrs. Speer of Northfield, Minnesota, who will spend the winter with her.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Snodgrass of San Bernardino road had as dinner guests on Sunday George and Robert Lord of Los Angeles and Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Lewis of Glendora.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Topham of San Bernardino road attended the performance of "Civilian Clothes" in Los Angeles last Saturday evening.

An invitation dance was given at the club-house in Glendora last Friday evening under the auspices of the Glendora Football school, whose dancing classes inaugurated this year are being attended by a number of Covina people.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Headley of Cypress avenue are planning to spend Sunday in Pasadena with the latter's mother and brother, Mrs. Netta MacCourt and Chester MacCourt.

Miss Carolyn Jennings will have with her as a week-end guest in Hollywood, Miss Elizabeth Templeton. They will witness the debate between Hollywood and Manual Arts high schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Douglas are moving this week to the residence on the ranch recently owned by Mrs. P. E. Doughty.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Griffiths of Badillo street will entertain a house party over the week-end, including the latter's sister, Mrs. C. A. Miller of Sacramento, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Wolf of Los Angeles and Mrs. Mary E. Hart of Alaska.

MISS FESLER ENTERTAINED IN HONOR OF MARRIAGE

The Misses Belle and Alta Fesler entertained at the home of Mrs. Dean Fesler on Italia street last Saturday afternoon with a miscellaneous shower for Miss Gladys Fesler in honor of her approaching marriage.

Miss Gladys Fesler, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Fesler, formerly of Covina, is to be married on Tuesday evening, December 16th, at 8 o'clock, at the home of her parents near Anaheim to Mr. Glenn Hipes.

Mr. Hipes, whose home is in the northern part of the state, returned this summer from service overseas. The young people are planning to make their home near Anaheim.

Miss Fesler was the recipient of a number of beautiful gifts. The guests present included Mrs. Charles Fesler, Mrs. Martin Fesler and daughter, Alice, Miss May Hopper, Miss Ruth Barnheiser, Mrs. A. M. Pence, and Miss Leta Nash.

FIREMEN'S CARNIVAL ATTRACTING MANY PEOPLE

This is carnival week in Covina. Every night is a season of fun at the corner of San Bernardino road and Citrus avenue, where the Brown Amusement Company has pitched a regular tent city. A score of side shows are offering their attractions to the citizens of the Covina valley.

The carnival is here under the auspices of the Covina fireman, and our citizens are asked to show their appreciation of the efforts of the fireman by their presence tonight and tomorrow. Come and enjoy the fun.

Mrs. R. M. Middleton of Sunflower and Bonita avenues will entertain at luncheon today. Covers will be laid for eight, the guests including Mrs. George Graham of Los Angeles, Mrs. W. I. Pinkney, Mrs. E. B. Dye, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Burham and Mrs. Robinson of Charter Oak.

Mrs. Grant Chapman of West Badillo street is confined to the house with illness this week.

Read the Christmas advertising in the Argus. It will interest you.

D. and Mrs. C. W. Searcy of West Center street entertained at dinner on Sunday Misses Mildred Blecker of Sierra Madre and Lucille Gloege, Messrs. Sam Seofield and Raymond Crenshaw.

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Kel Hara.

For the first time in the history of Japan a man without a title is at the head of the government. Mr. Kel Hara, the present premier, is a commoner, born in northern Japan, and educated in Tokyo on a scholarship founded by the feudal lord of his clan. He studied law as a profession, but entered journalism, serving on the immediate journalistic ancestor of the now well-known Hochi Shinbun. From journalism he entered diplomacy under Marquess Inouye, then foreign minister, and was sent as consul to France. Returning to Japan he became director of the commercial bureau of the foreign office under Count Mutsu; and then in turn minister in Korea, and vice minister of foreign affairs in Japan, retiring temporarily to private life when Count Mutsu gave up the political work that had earned him the reputation of being the greatest modern Japanese diplomatist. Mr. Hara returned to national politics in 1900 as minister of communications in the new cabinet of Prince Ito, and from that appointment his rise has been steady till he was lately made premier, and so became the first commoner that has ever in Japan occupied so high a position.

How It Began.

Customary figure as the boy scout has become in the United States, General Baden-Powell's visit added much to American knowledge of the movement. A good many newspaper readers were probably surprised to learn that it owes its beginning to the Boer war and the siege of Mafeking, without which it may be questioned whether there would be any boy scouts. In command at Mafeking, General Baden-Powell looked far beyond the siege and saw that a great and useful organization of boys might be developed from the corps of boy messengers organized to serve the forces holding that hard-pressed town. That was the beginning of it, but the same force of character that defended Mafeking carried forward the boy scout idea until it was generally recognized as a project for character building rather than encouraging militarism in the young. Another bit of information that probably surprised many Americans was that Baden-Powell is descended on his mother's side from Capt. John Smith.

England to Honor Pilgrims.

Behind the efforts of those who are seeking to link Great Britain and America in a lasting union of friendship two historic episodes stand out in bold relief.

It is almost precisely 300 years since the Pilgrim Fathers set sail from Plymouth in the Mayflower to make, on an undeveloped continent, a brave experiment of self government. The actual tercentenary falls next year, and already preparations are in progress to celebrate the occasion in this country in a fitting manner.

By way of contrast to that great adventure one thinks of that other pilgrimage last year, when 2,000,000 heroic soldiers left their homes in America to speed across the Atlantic to the rescue of the old country. They came actuated by that love of liberty which had been handed down to them from the ancient Pilgrims, and with their British brothers they testified on the battle field to the essential unity of the Anglo-Saxon stock. It is now for Great Britain and America to determine that the friendship which their gallant soldiers cemented with their blood shall be a permanent inspiration in their international relations.—London Daily Telegraph.

Beavers Copy Tepees of Indians.

In the pond were a number of beaver houses which looked like small Indian tepees, writes Samuel Scoville, Jr., in Boys' Life. Most of them were built in water several feet deep and were from three to four feet above the surface and about five feet in diameter. One, however, was a huge one, built in deep water, and fully twice as large as any other. It was made mostly of peeled cottonwood poles and stood on a firm foundation of mud and sticks built up from the bottom. The poles leaned together from the top and had been woven in and out with thick brush and plastered with mud and turf until the walls were three feet thick.

Proving an Alibi.

"What Lawye Attucks say 'bout lem chickens you stole?" "He say Ahm lile to go to jail ess'n Ah git somebody to prove s He by."—Curtious Magazine.



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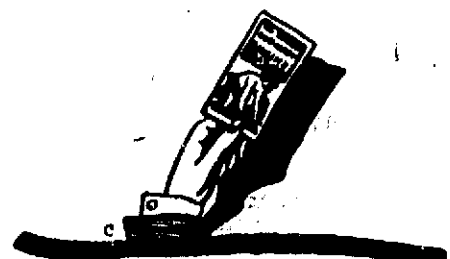
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Schools Close for Christmas Vacation

The public schools of Covina will close today for the Christmas recess and to allow the teachers to attend the institute to be held in Los Angeles next week. The school sessions will be resumed again on the twenty-ninth with a holiday on New Year's day.

Because of the fact that there is no one place where the whole school can be assembled while the new schoolhouse is being built, there will be no general exercises commemorating the Christmas season by the Covina grammar school as a whole. The pupils are helping in the Red Cross Christmas sale and are planning to gather and pack next week a big box of holly to be sent to camp Hyer, the camp for tubercular and convalescent soldiers in New Mexico, to be used as Christmas decorations there.

CHARTER OAK.

At the Charter Oak school a very enjoyable Christmas celebration has been prepared under the direction of the principal, Miss Thompson, assisted by Miss Steel and Miss Phillips. The eighth grade will give a party at which the seventh grade scholars are to be honor guests, and the program will consist of a playlet by the seventh grade, entitled "Christmas Day in Different Lands," followed by a further program of songs and recitations. A big Christmas tree will be the crowning feature of the afternoon. There is an enrollment of 120 at the Charter Oak school now, five new pupils having entered this week.

PROGRAM AT MERWIN.

Friday afternoon at the Merwin school will be devoted to a Christmas program of songs and recitations by the pupils. There will be a small Christmas tree and gifts of candy and apples for the eighty little Mexican children now enrolled there under the direction of Mrs. Brownfield and her assistants, Miss Dailey and Miss Stone.

LARK ELLEN TREE.

Lark Ellen school, like the Covina grammar school, has no room large enough for a general assembling pending the completion of the new schoolhouse, which they hope to be able to move into the beginning of the next half yearly term. The primary room, of which Miss Jennie Meek is the teacher, will have a Christmas tree and treat.

PROGRAM AT WEST COVINA.

At the West Covina school the principal, Miss Helen Rhodes, assisted by Mrs. Maude Maxson, has directed the pupils in the preparation of an elaborate program of music, recitations and plays, which will be given this afternoon.

The music will consist of piano duets by Alice Maxson and Mary Akers, and Virgie Pratt and Gladys Wolsey, violin solos by Raymond Allison and Marjorie Newton, a saxophone solo by Mildred Alexander, and songs by the school. There will be several recitations by the various classes, and a dialogue, "Waiting Up For Santa Claus," by Pearl Von der Lohe and William McCumsey. A playlet entitled "The Dolls' Hospital" will be given by Marjorie Stafford, Thelma Cook, Evelyn Maxson, Frances Kränz, and Bernice Maxson. There will be two Christmas plays, one called "The Christmas Eve Conspiracy," and the characters are to be taken by Mary Lee Stafford, Mary Steward, Crystal Levine, Virgie Pratt, Mary Akers, Mildred Alexander, Edith Maxson. The other one is called "Assisting Santa Claus," and the parts will be taken by Mary Akers, Gladys Wolsey, Arline Hotchkiss, Marjorie Newton, Alice Maxson, Raymond Allison, and Robert McCumsey.

The Christmas tree for the school will be a community affair under the auspices of the Parent-Teachers' association, and will be held at the clubhouse next Friday evening. The committee will assemble at that time gifts of clothing and other things for the

"NEWS" OR ADVERTISING?

The Argus every week is asked to print items as news which are plainly of an advertising nature. It is embarrassing oftentimes to refuse these requests, but we have to draw the line somewhere, and it is only fair to treat all alike. Advance notices for any sort of a money-making proposition, we call advertising, and charge for at the rate of 5 cents per line. This includes notices for fraternal organizations, schools, churches, and charitable organizations. We personally patronize and give to these causes as do other people, and consider it only a business proposition to receive regular rates for advertising affairs from which they charge money.

"MOSELEM LANDS" SUBJECT FOR MISSIONARY STUDY

"Moslem Lands," under the direction of Mrs. Ben Millikan, was the subject of study at the all-day meeting of the Presbyterian missionary society held Thursday at the home of Mrs. R. M. Douglass.

TETRAZZINI CONCERT IS ATTENDED BY COVINA LADIES

Misses Bertha and Dollina McKay and Dorothy King and Mrs. C. A. Foreman attended the concert by Tetrazzini at the Shrine auditorium in Los Angeles Tuesday evening.

LUTHERAN SOCIETY HOLDS ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Ladies' Aid society of the Lutheran church met at the home of Mrs. Caroline Neels on East Badillo street on Thursday of this week. This was the annual meeting for the election of officers.

poor in Los Angeles, which will be distributed by the Parent-Teachers' association there.

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Christmas, with all that term implies as to universal fellowship, bounteous unselfishness and renewed recognition of the fact that to give is actually better than to receive.

As you have put into anything, that much will you get out of it. Out of the interest you have taken in this paper during the past year we hope you have derived an equal personal pleasure. Your appreciation has made this paper's issuance a congenial work to us of the staff.

And likewise in that same spirit which makes Christmastime what it is, we take this opportunity of expressing our thanks to the business men of this community, and of the territory within which this paper circulates, for their cordial co-operation in practical ways which has made it possible for us regularly to present our best editorial efforts to the community in a creditable manner.

May the kindly glow of this holiday season color life for you and yours throughout the coming year.

The Publishers

Girls Are Winners in "Better English" Contest

This week has been "Better English" week in the Covina union high school. As a part of the campaign to attract the attention of the students to the matter of greater care and effort in the use of correct English, two prizes, of two dollars and fifty cents each, were offered for the best letter and the best poem written and submitted by the students. The judges were Mrs. Myra Nye and Mr. Ellis Parker Butler. The winner of the letter prize was Vesta Ames, a member of the sophomore class of the high school and of Miss Clark's class in English. The winner of the prize for the best poem was Bernice Laws, also a member of the sophomore class and of Miss Gates' class in English.

Following we reproduce the letter and poem:

Covina Union High School,
December 4, 1919.

Dear Fellow Students:

Since this is "Better English Week" in our schools, it occurred to me that it might be well for us to understand more fully what is meant by good English. People who have had more experience than we have had say that the use of good English involves more than merely an accurate knowledge of the rules of grammar. Of course this is one important factor, without which few are able to speak the English language correctly. But further than this a person with a large vocabulary is able much more easily, gracefully, and clearly, to express his thoughts in good English than is a person with a limited vocabulary. Another accomplishment along this line which is valued and appreciated by students of English is the ability to form sentences with a pleasing sound. This art requires a large vocabulary from which the selection of words may be made.

All business men and all others who have had experience in the world tell us that an accurate knowledge and correct usage of the English language is of supreme importance in reaching the top of the ladder of success toward which all are striving. It is my purpose to show what an invaluable aid is the study of Latin in connection with this subject of "Better English."

In the first place, much of the English language is based upon Latin. Some words have been taken over directly and without change from the Latin into English. Such a word as "simile" has the same meaning as the Latin word. A vast number of English words are made from Latin roots and are given meanings the same as or similar to the Latin meaning. An

example is the English word "space" derived from the Latin word "spatium" meaning space, extent or distance. Thus an accurate knowledge of Latin roots, words, and pre-fixes gives us a means of judging the meaning of an English word by simply noting its root. Such a knowledge would make impossible mistakes in the meaning of words such as are frequently made. To illustrate this, a Latin student (knowing that the Latin word "specter" means a vision) would hardly be expected to say that "a specter is a kind of newspaper reporter." This definition was given, with all seriousness and with no idea of being witty, in a school room.

Everything considered, I believe that the time required to do justice to a course in Latin such as is offered here to us would be by no means wasted, but would be of the greatest help to all of us now and in the future.

Respectfully,
A STUDENT.

REFLECTIONS ON "BETTER ENGLISH" DAY.

Oh woe to me
That I must be
A poet overrun
With lack of time
And sense of rhyme.
(You'll know it when I'm done.)
I had to write
'Till late at night
And so as consolation
I'll state my views,
(If you'll excuse
This feeble imitation.)
Of better English day
When every word you say
Must be pronounced correctly,
The penalty to be
A tag, or two, or three,
And you're denounced directly
To every public eye;
At least that would be my
Predicament.
It wouldn't be so bad,
We wouldn't be so mad
Because of this unkindness,
But they increased our woes
By making us compose
A poem, to remind us,
For our grammar's sake
Of the liberties we take
When we are talking.
They call this country free,
And free men we should be;
I don't believe in balking
BUT LET'S STRIKE.

The Covina Argus has several hundred more subscribers than any other newspaper in the valley. That's why it gets the advertising!

RESPECTED HOME OF MORGAN

Federals and Confederates Both Respected From Damaging House of Revolutionary Soldier.

A subscriber who was interested in the Companion's account of the respect shown to Mount Vernon during the Civil war has called to our attention to another historic place that received similar respect and protection—the home of Gen. Daniel Morgan, of Revolutionary fame.

During the summer of 1912, says our friend, I was visiting in the Shenandoah valley, and in going from Shepherdstown to Harper's Ferry passed a little village called Morgan's Grove. My attention was attracted to a large, two-story stone house, which I discovered to be the old home of Gen. Daniel Morgan, the commander of the famous "Morgan Rifle Corps." At that house Col. Morgan organized his famous regiment of riflemen and marched to Boston, a distance of six hundred miles, to join Washington's army. The men were dressed in deer-skin coats and coonskin caps and were armed with those long-barreled rifles that they used with such telling effect in the battles of the Revolution. At the battle of Saratoga, when Burgoyne asked why the officers of his army who were killed had been shot in the head, he was informed that it was the Morgan riflemen who were responsible. He remarked that it was of no use to fight with such an army and that he might as well surrender.

The old stone house at Morgan's Grove stood unmolested during the Civil war. Both Confederate and Federal soldiers held it in almost sacred reverence. Early's men and Sheridan's swept past it on their raids in the valley, yet the home of the Morgans continued to stand as a noble monument to the memory of the great general who helped to gain our independence.—Youth's Companion.

ORIGIN OF FAMOUS DISHES

Sally Lunn, Who Gave Her Name to Tea Bread, Was a Real Personage—Mulligatawny.

Sally Lunn was a pastry cook who at the end of 1800 used to sell the tea bread which bears her name in the streets of Bath, Stray Stories (London) says.

Sandwich is called after the earl of Sandwich. Mulligatawny is derived from an East Indian word meaning pepper water.

Macaroni originated from a Greek phrase meaning "the blessed dead," in allusion to the ancient custom of eating it at feasts for departed souls. Gooseberry-fool is a corruption of gooseberry "foole," meaning milled or pressed gooseberries.

Forcemeat comes from the French "farce" meat. "arce" is stuffing, thus is forcemeat used for stuffing. Blanc-mange means literally "white eatable."

Julienne soup was invented by a Mme. Deschamps, a Paris market woman who died about 1897, aged ninety-four. She saw the allies enter Paris after Waterloo and supplied vegetables to the Tuilleries during the reign of Charles X and Napoleon III.

Swore by Their Whiskers.

If the beard has any standing in the world today, it is undoubtedly because of the Jews, who held their whiskers to be sacred, and swore by them. Later, the Turks did the same. The sultan's followers used to comb their whiskers after prayers, catch the hairs that came out, break them in two and bury them, on the theory that in some mysterious way the hairs helped to make soft walking to the gates of paradise. This the Turks firmly believed. And they were greatly shocked when, in 1512, Selim I came to the throne without a beard. His smooth face was regarded as a deliberate affront to all the be-whiskered patriots of all ages, and the highest priest was sent to remonstrate with him. Selim could not be made to talk seriously about it. "I have cut off my beard," said he, "so that my vizier may have nothing to lead me by."

Autocrat of the Air.

The miller at the old windmill of a village in Buckinghamshire one year found such difficulty in getting his sails to work through want of wind that he was continually behind with his work. The delay annoyed the farmers, who decided to call a meeting to consider the advisability of getting up another windmill. Uninvited, the miller also attended the meeting, and in the midst of the discussion rose and said: "Ye want to get up another windmill, do ye? Well, it takes all the wind in the parish to keep my old mill ago! so you'll have to fish elsewhere for yer wind, that's wartin!" This novel argument gave matters the turn, and to this day the miller has had no opposition.—San Francisco Argonaut.

Creating a Demand.

At the theater a lady's hat obscured a man's view, and he leaned forward and respectfully asked if she would remove it. A stiffening of the neck was the only answer. After a few minutes he repeated his request. Then she turned to him. "There is no demand for my doing so," she said. "No demand?" he echoed. Then he rolled up his overcoat and placed it on his seat, sat on it, and put his hat on his head. In a moment there were shouts of "Take it off!" "Take that hat off!" And instantly the lady drew out her cap and removed her hat.

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Whether a rag doll, a game, or a mechanical toy, we have it now—tomorrow we may not. Do not disappoint the children. Come today and select while stocks are ample. Almost anything you want is here.

For Father and Mother

Why not a fountain pen, a good book, or any of a score of articles from our stock for Father. Give Mother a nice box of stationery or cards; a nice purse or handbag; a good picture or a frame for the one she has. And if you cannot think of the right thing, come in and let us suggest something.

For Your Friends

Lots of good mailable articles and lots of things to take to them.

Cards - Cards - Cards--

Have you enough greeting cards? There nearly always is someone whom you had forgotten until the last moment. Get some extra cards and avoid being disappointed because the good cards are all sold. Get a few extra for emergencies.

For the Table

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FINGERLES ENTERTAIN OPERATIC TENOR SOLOIST

Dr. and Mrs. C. F. Fingerles entertained as callers on Wednesday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Gage Christopher of Los Angeles and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Procter of New York. Mr. Procter is the tenor soloist of the Tetrastini opera company. This is his first trip to California and he was taken to Mr. Watts' orange grove on North Citrus avenue where he had the pleasure of picking his first orange from the tree.

DINNER PARTY AT KNUDTSON HOME ON PUENTE STREET

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Knudtson entertained Sunday at dinner at their home on West Puente street. During the afternoon other Los Angeles friends and relatives joined the party. The dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. F. Lallum and son and Mr. and Mrs. G. Lallum of Long Beach, Mr. Erickson and son and daughter of Souris, North Dakota, and Miss Marian Mountain.

RED CROSS SEALS SOLD UNTIL CHRISTMAS TIME

The Red Cross Christmas seal sale has gone with a rush, but the committee wishes the public to know that those who did not secure them during the week of the drive or those who wish more of them can still buy them at the drug stores, book store, Palace of Sweets, Wolfarth's jewelry store, Finch's jewelry store, and the post-office, up until Christmas day.

Woman Elected Director

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been in operation during the Valencia period and a good demand worked up for the better grade of culls for nearby markets. This standardizes the cull market and eliminates the cull peddler, which has been a source of annoyance for years past, and will make it possible for us to get more money for the salable culls and cut out the profits made by the individual cull peddler. So that in the future whatever fruit is used for marmalade and jellies will be the grade of culls that has heretofore gone to the wash, with no returns to the grower, and whatever is made out of the marmalade deal will be clear profit to the growers. In time this promises to be a big business, as "Sunkist" marmalade is recognized as the best on the market."

FIRST WOMAN DIRECTOR.

For the first time in the history of the citrus growers of the Covina valley a woman was elected to the directorate of an orange association. Mrs. Alice Burpee, a grower in this valley for the past twenty years, being placed on the directorate by a heavy vote.

The newly-elected directors are: L. L. Rakekin, A. R. Evans, H. M. Houser, Louis Harris, Thomas Traweck, J. O. Houser, F. L. Hepner, S. S. Aschenbrenner, R. W. Groom, George Keller, Mrs. Alice Burpee.

All the officers of the association were re-elected for the ensuing year: A. R. Evans, president; L. L. Rakekin, vice-president; H. M. Houser, treasurer; C. E. Crawford, secretary and manager.

DOCTOR K. C. LEEBRICK TO VISIT SISTER IN COVINA

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Feist are anticipating a visit in Tuesday of the latter's brother, Dr. K. C. Leebrick of the University of California, who is on his way east to attend a meeting of the American Historians' Association, to be held shortly in Cleveland.

GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATED AT SON'S HOME IN COVINA

Mrs. W. P. Nye and Mrs. A. W. Nye entertained at the home of the latter in Los Angeles last Monday afternoon in honor of the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. Nye's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Nye. In the afternoon the home was thrown open to the relatives who live in Southern California, about twenty being present. In the evening Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Nye entertained a family party at dinner in honor of the same occasion.

BIRTHS.

Born to Mrs. William Fisher, a boy, Dec. 7th.
To Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Boyce, boy, Dec. 2.
To Mr. and Mrs. Myashiro, boy, Nov. 30.
Mr. and Mrs. John Morales, a boy, Dec. 9th.

NOTICE.

Pooley's Flower Shop, 353 W. Second street, Pomona, is offering all kinds of choice ferns, flowering plants and bulbs for the Christmas holidays. You would do well to see them. Also cut flowers for all occasions. 12-19

DELINQUENT NOTICE.

Office of the Covina Irrigating Company, principal place of business, Covina, Covina Township, County of Los Angeles, State of California.

There are delinquent on the following described stock, on account of assessment No. 88, levied on the fifth day of November, 1919, the several amounts set opposite the names of the respective shareholders as follows:

Names—	Cert.	Shrs.	Amt.
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Elsie Doris Bennett	2137	120	\$240.00
Henry S. Brintnall and			
Leslie C. Brintnall	2732	30	60.00
Leslie C. Brintnall	2733	12	24.00
Crown City Trust and			
Savings Bank	3125	15	30.00
Crown City Trust and			
Savings Bank	3126	8	16.00
McCarthy Company	3011	8	16.00
McCarthy Company	3133	5	10.00
San Bernardino County			
Savings Bank, pledgee of Iva M. Groom	2592	10	20.00
W. G. Hall	1534	20	40.00
W. G. Hall	2652	5	10.00
W. H. Young, pledgee of W. H. Hall	1997	160	200.00

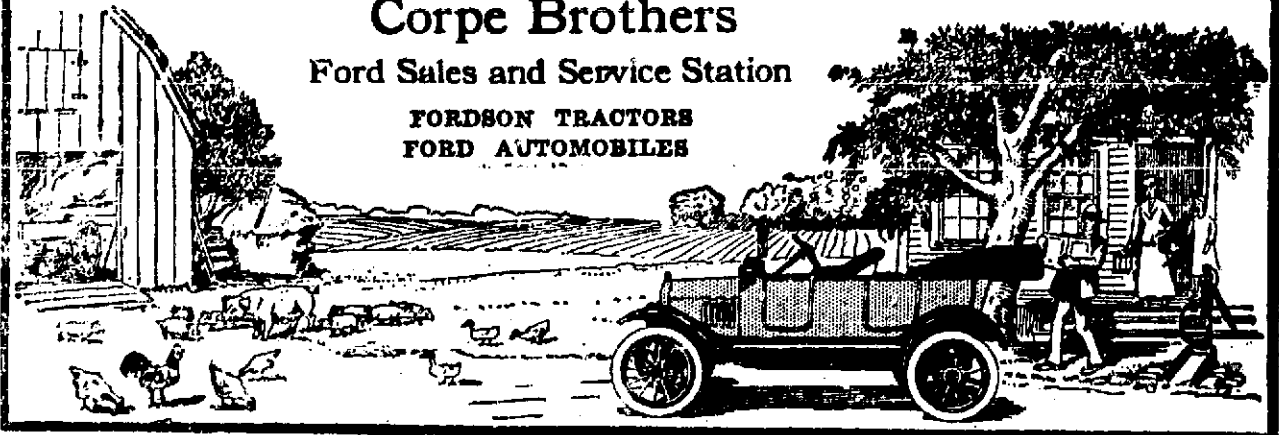
And in accordance with law and an order of the Board of Directors made on the fifth day of November, A. D. 1919, so many shares of each parcel of such stock as may be necessary will be sold at public auction at the office of the company, in Covina, California, on the 20th day of December, A. D. 1919, at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m. of said day, to pay the delinquent assessment thereon, together with the cost of advertising and expense of sale.

B. F. EDWARDS, Secretary.
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High School Items

Friday afternoon the student body had the pleasure of hearing Prince Lei Lani, famous Hawaiian tenor. Prince Lei Lani has a very beautiful voice, and he is not only a singer of note, but he also is a player of several Hawaiian instruments. The following was the program: "Raymond Overture," Thomas; "Absent," Metcalf; "Re-cause," Hardelet; "At Dawning," Cadman; "Pua Sadinia," Nepe; "Ro-sary," Nevin; "When My Ship Comes Sailing Home," Dovel; "La Travinta," Verdi; "Machusa," "Perfect Day," Bond; "In the Garden of My Heart," Ball; "Hilo," Hawaiian march, Pale Lam; "My Old Kentucky Home," Foster. The last two selections were played on a Hawaiian guitar. Prince Lani then gave a short talk on the Hawaiian people, their customs and music, and then he sang some Hawaiian folk songs and Hawaiian yodels, after which he sang "Aloha-Oe," the most beautiful song of Hawaii.

Monday after Ellis Parker Butler, the famous humorist, spoke to the student body. Mr. Butler in his lecture explained the difference between "Humor and Wit," which explanation, he said, was most difficult for many authors. He also read many of his humorous stories, which constantly caused the students to be in an uproar of laughter. Mr. Butler's lecture was greatly enjoyed, and we sincerely hope we may again hear from him in the near future.

This week will be remembered by the students as "Better English Week." Every effort is being made by each student to better his English. Last Wednesday two of our prominent citizens, Mr. E. P. Warner and Mrs. Nash, spoke to the students of the need of "better English," and they also gave illustrations of how a person speaking good English had many advantages over a person speaking bad English in securing positions or in any business or social affairs.

Saturday night our debating hopes were "dashed on the rocks" when Covina was found to be on the wrong end of two unanimous decisions. Carroll Nye and Elizabeth Templeton, representing Covina's affirmative team were defeated by Glendale at Covina, while the negative team, composed of Eugene Hull and Elmer Gould, was defeated by South Pasadena at South Pasadena.

Our football spirit was somewhat revived when last Wednesday Covina defeated South Pasadena 20-0. The whole team played first-class football, no fumbles or mistakes being made. The chief feature of the game was the 30-yard runs of Jay Pitzer, our star quarterback. Pitzer made three touchdowns in this manner. The other touchdown was made by Nye, who after receiving a forward pass ran 20 yards for a touchdown. Covina had the advantage over their opponents throughout the game, the ball never being in the dangerous territory of South Pasadena.

The lineups follow:

Covina	South Pasadena
Caffey	L.E.R. Crossley
Wheller	L.T.R. Barnes
Tuechner	L.G.R. Gurnsharnsen
Dye	C. Wride
Mellana	R.G.L. Coutis
Temple	R.T.L. Freeman
Haynes	R.E.L. Smith
Nigg	E. B. Corey
Nye	B.H.L. Cuss
Wilson	L.H.R. Smalley
Pitzer	Q. B. Walker

Covina substitutes—Anderson for Wheller, Morcy for Caffey, Harnish for Haynes, Meiklejohn for Wilson.

This game witnessed the end of the 1919 football season. The basketball season has already commenced.

—S. BUTLER, '21.

VENERABLE LADY RETURNS TO HER EASTERN HOME

A group of friends, including Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hickenlooper, Mrs. James Crouch and Mrs. Glover, accompanied Mrs. Elizabeth Dennobren to Azusa last Sunday to see her safely started on her long journey to her home in Nashville, Tennessee. She has been visiting friends in Covina for several months.

DINNER PARTY IN HONOR OF YOUNG MAN'S BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Seth Colver entertained Tuesday evening with a dinner party as a surprise celebration of Mr. Colver's birthday. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Colver, Mr. and Mrs. William Colver, and Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Coons.

Ellis Parker Butler Was Fifty Years Young Last Week

Ellis Parker Butler, the American author, whose writings are world-read, now wintering in Southern California, celebrated his fiftieth birthday at his Covina home on East Biddle street on Friday.

In the current issue of the "American" he tells his own story of how it feels to be fifty, which we reproduce, so that our readers can enjoy the kindly philosophy expressed in it by this gifted author.

To tell you the honest truth, I am obliged to say that, if I had not been asked to write these few lines on "How it Feels to Be Fifty," being fifty wouldn't have meant anything in my young life.

Of course this will be a terrible disappointment to the thousands of people who, for twenty-five years, have been counting off the months and days and hours and minutes, saying:

"In twenty-one years more he will be fifty; in ten months more he will be fifty; in eight minutes more he will be fifty! And then he will tell us how it feels, and we can absorb the knowledge from his wise old lips and get ready to feel as we ought to feel when we, too, are fifty."

It is a shame to disappoint such a large and intelligent audience, but I am compelled to state that I do not feel like a doddering old wreck teetering on the edge of the grave.

I remember a lovely underwear advertisement that depicted a sort of "cavalry to the grave" scene, with a toddling youngster at one end of the bridge of life and an aged man at the other end, and men of various progressive underwear ages scattered between. They were all arrayed in nice comfy underwear, and the bridge over which they were ambling was highest in the middle. It suggested that a man climbs up the bridge of life until he doesn't need any more underwear, because of circumstances over which he has no control.

This bridge-of-life or hill-of-life idea, with its forty years up-hill and then forty years down-hill, is pure fake. If life were like that I would now be writing a sadly introspective farewell ode, telling how I had reached apex of life's hill and now saw before me the long slope down into the valley, toward the river all must pass. I would ring in something about the setting sun and the cooling of the turtle doves in the neat little cemetery at the foot of the hill, and then say I was shouldering my heavy pack with hope and resignation for the final weary down-hill hike. I would add something about being footsore, about spent talents and honorable gray hairs, and everybody would weep and begin to save up money for a floral funeral wreath for me.

The fact is that, except for the almanac, I don't know whether I am fifty or twenty. Judging by the way I feel today, I shall keep right on going up-hill, until—*at least*—you read from now—I come to a jumping-off place.

At fifty I have no feeling of starting down-hill, or of having reached the top of any hill. If you want to call my life a hill, I'll say I see the road rising just as steadily and regularly and

pleasantly ahead of me now as when I was twenty. And the top of it is so far from where I am now, and so much higher, that I can't even see it. Life is just beginning to be interesting.

At fifty I feel like a young teamster who has just got his skittish colts broken in and is now ready to start out on a real job. Until now I have been a raw hand, stapping to adjust the harness, talking about what I meant to do, studying the guide books, getting the stiff wagon greased, laying in provisions, fussing around one way and another trying to find out where I wanted to go, and why I wanted to go there, and how to get there when I started.

At fifty a man should feel younger and stronger and more fit than he ever felt before. I do. Most men do, I believe. Younger fellows do not even play properly. They make a sort of work of it. It is not until a man is fifty that he knows that golf and fishing and poker and pinocle are play, and that work is play, and that life itself is kind of an interesting big game, too.

I took an old photograph of mine the other day—one I had taken away back in 1887, when I was eighteen—and I remembered how full of cares and worries I was at that time. I used to stay awake night after night and worry over getting married, for instance. I used to wonder how ever I could get up enough courage to go up to a girl and ask her to marry me.

That awful necessity loomed up before me and filled me with woe and agony, gave me cold chills and hot flashes, and made me absolutely miserable for years.

I remember then when I was about twenty I saw an item in a newspaper, away inside somewhere and tucked in a corner. It said that statistics showed that bashful men were usually the first to marry. That item was a wonderful source of relief to me. I cut it out and carried it in my pocket, and whenever I felt the cold chill of forever come over me and I began to sweat at the thought that some day I must ask a girl to marry me, I got out that clipping and read it, and tried to brace up and be brave. To-day I have a wife and four children and that worry is gone.

My hair was another great worry in those days. My father is quite bald, and he had become bald when a very young man; when he was twenty-one or twenty-two, I believe.

I don't know why a young man should think a heavy head of hair is such an imperative necessity, when hats are so cheap, but I was haunted by a dire fear that I might grow bald while still young. I was in continual distress lest the Butler baldness might be hereditary. I had just one great hope—that at least some of my hair might stay on my head until I was married, anyway.

When I became engaged, this hair-fear took the place of the afraid-to-propose fear. It was with me night and day. It was a keen, personal agony. The thought that I might have to walk up the church aisle to the

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Reunion of Masonic Lodges in the Sixty-first District

The most notable Masonic gathering of the past year was the reunion of the lodges comprising the sixty-first Masonic district—Covina, Monrovia, El Monte, Azusa, Glendora, and Puente—held at the Masonic temple in Monrovia on Monday evening.

On this occasion Monrovia lodge acted in the capacity of host, royally entertaining the 280 Masonic members who responded to the invitation. The gathering was in the nature of a reception to the charter members of these lodges, and the initiatives of the past year. Out of the large gathering of Masons of the district there were only four charter members present, Mr. M. Prindle of Monrovia lodge, Mr. Charles Lee of Azusa lodge, Mr. T. F. Griswold and J. L. Matthews of Covina lodge.

The first feature of the evening was the conferring of the third degree upon Mr. Humphries of Azusa, the work being exemplified by the wardens of the lodges in the district. B. F. Maxson, senior warden of Covina lodge, occupied the "east" during the third degree.

tion of the degree, delivering the lecture in a masterful manner.

Following the exemplification of the degree a banquet was served in the Monrovia Woman's club-house by the ladies of the club, at which nearly three hundred sat down. Mr. Frank Beardslee, master of Monrovia lodge, acted as toastmaster. Mr. Charles H. Lee of Azusa lodge responded on behalf of the charter members present. His address reviewed the establishment of Masonry in this valley. As early as 1885 the speaker, with Mr. Thomas F. Griswold, attempted to organize a Masonic lodge, even before the first house was built in the present city of Monrovia. The desires of these gentlemen were realized in 1919, when charters were granted by the grand lodge of California for the organization of lodges at Monrovia and Azusa. From that day Masonry in the Upper San Gabriel valley has been a very prominent factor in the social and moral life of the district. El Monte was the parent lodge in the entire territory

covering the eastern end of Los Angeles county.

Mr. Gordon Douglas of Covina lodge and Mr. A. J. Barnes of Monrovia responded for the new initiatives.

Edward B. Spencer of Los Angeles, the active trustee of the Covina Masonic home for children, at the request of the toastmaster, told briefly of the work being done at this home for dependent Masonic children in California, and took occasion to thank the fraternity for the liberality of its support of the needs of the home.

The surprise of the evening came when a stranger from Des Moines, Mr. Mark Evans, who is spending the winter in Southern California, told his hearers of a visit he had made to the Covina home, describing the happiness of the children and the care and attention they were receiving from the matron, Mrs. Miller, and her corps of helpers. Following his description of the beautiful appointments of the home, he suggested that the only thing it lacked was the equipment of the gymnasium, which he said would cost in the neighborhood of \$600. The suggestion was received with enthusiasm by those present, and \$500 towards this sum was subscribed and a committee appointed to secure the balance from the Masonic membership of the lodges of the sixty-first district.

A thoroughly equipped gymnasium will be the Christmas present which the children of the Covina Masonic home will receive from the membership of the Masonic lodges of the sixty-first district.

BIBLE STUDY QUESTIONS.

Reading, according to Bacon's famous saying, maketh a man full. But what a man is full of depends upon what he reads. In these days when there is so much in the world's happenings that is depressing and demoralizing every man owes it to himself to sweeten his life a little each day with the reading of the Bible. The following questions are all from the eighth chapter of Luke:

Friday: Some very interesting details about the life of Jesus are given in 8:1-3. Read the passage and discover how at this period of his ministry he carried on his work, what was the theme of his preaching, who accompanied him and how he was supported. What was the social and financial condition of this first ladies' aid society? Look up what you can about the women named.

Saturday: Read today verses 4-15. Is this a parable of the sower, or the soil? Why? What is its teaching to you? Learn verse 15 and apply it to your own life.

Sunday: Read the parable of the Lamb, 10-18. Can you see this connection between a light and verse 18? Read 10-21 and ask yourself if you can claim kinship with Christ. What is the text? Compare verse 21 with 15.

Monday: Read the story of the storm in 22-25. Christ's power over what is here illustrated? What 26-39. Locate this country on the map. Is the first sentence of 39 a command to you?

Tuesday: Read 40-42. Where did Jesus return from? Where to? What was a ruler of a synagogue? Notice the particulars of 40-56. Who accompanied Jesus into the house? Recall if you can other occasions when these three were thus favored. Why did Jesus favor them in this way?

Wednesday: Read the story of a wonderful cure in 43-46. Think of the profound implications of 46. Did you ever feel that you had tapped this power for yourself?

Thursday: Make a review of this chapter by reading verses 15, 21, 25, 39, 48, 50. What great qualities of heart are emphasized? Dwell in thought especially on 15.

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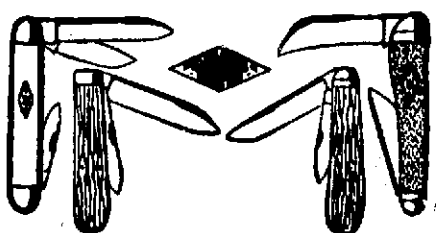
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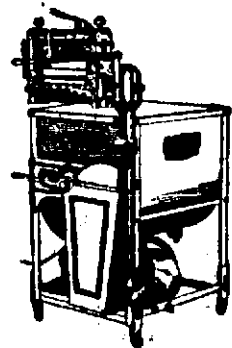
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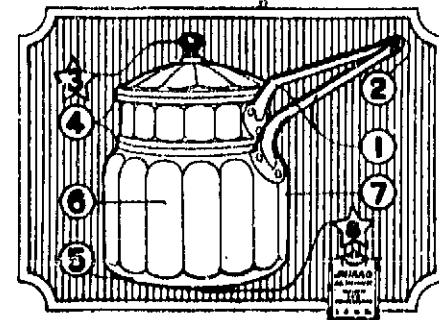
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Tremendous Walnut Crop Sold Out in Record Time

Walnut growers are at last realizing their fondest dreams, and no longer are they pulling out their trees to plant citrus fruits in the hope of receiving larger returns. Hundreds of acres of bare land are being set out to walnuts, and at the present writing it is practically impossible to secure nursery stock at any price. The industry is decidedly prosperous, and growers are confident of the future profits to be realized from the production of this crop in California.

Even the original estimate of the walnut crop this year, which was some 7,000,000 pounds greater than the largest crop ever produced before, has proved to be too low by something like 6,000,000 pounds. The best available figures at this time indicate that the total crop in the state will run somewhere around 52,000,000 pounds, instead of 46,000,000 pounds, as estimated at the beginning of the season, or an increase of approximately 33 1-3 per cent over last year's production.

This wonderful crop has been harvested in record-breaking time, and has taxed the capacity of the packing houses to the utmost.

Rains in the latter part of September and early in October caused two-thirds of the crop to drop from the trees almost immediately, and the ensuing six weeks of dry weather made conditions for harvesting ideal, without any of the delays which sometimes occur when rainy weather interferes with the operation.

This situation has made it possible to move a larger proportion of the crop to the eastern markets for the holidays than is ordinarily possible, and the volume of walnuts shipped in time for the Thanksgiving and Christmas trade has only been limited by the capacity of the packing houses to handle deliveries from the growers. The only feature which held up the shipments somewhat was an unexpected shortage of bags, due to the longshoremen's strike in San Francisco, which made it impossible to unload shipments of burlap from India. Several packing houses were forced to close for a few days until express shipments of bags could be rushed from the north.

PLANTS TO BE ENLARGED.

Nearly every packing house is now planning to enlarge, and add new equipment for handling the crop next year, and several entirely new plants will be erected before next season. It is too early yet to tell anything about

the size of the crop next year, but the new acreage rapidly coming to full production will mean a big increase in volume over this year, even if the older orchards produce only an average crop. Several hundred acres in the Santa Clara and San Joaquin valleys are increasing in tonnage rapidly and the quality of the nuts grown in that part of the state promises to be very fancy. Several groups of growers in that section are planning to organize local associations for affiliating with the California Walnut Growers' Association, which has already been handling for several years the output of a number of the larger orchards.

That the walnut growers of California are making big money this year is not to be denied, but this is due more to the fact that they had a heavy crop than that they put an exceptionally high price on their product. The Bureau of Labor statistics show that the average cost of twenty-two of the leading food commodities has increased 12 per cent in the last year, but the price of walnuts has scarcely increased 10 per cent over that of last season, and this increase would just about meet increased cost of operation, if the growers harvested the same tonnage as last year. They are making money this year on account of the size of the crop, and the increased acreage coming into bearing.

SURPRISE IS SPRUNG.

The California Walnut Growers' Association sprung a surprise this year when its opening prices named on October 1st were 4 or 5 cents a pound lower than the trade had expected. This young and aggressive association, which markets 80 per cent of the walnuts, holds a high place in the esteem of the eastern buyers of California products, who in general are growing more and more critical of the so-called "food combines" in this state, and many telegrams were received complimenting the management on the naming of fair prices. The association directors are shrewd enough to realize that this confidence of the trade is one of their most valuable assets.

The first pool closed this year on November 15th, and association growers have already received the final payment on all walnuts delivered up to that date, breaking all previous records in prompt payment.

Substantial advance payments were made on the delivery to the packing houses in every case, but this clean-up

payment represents the balance of 10 per cent realized after actual operating and selling expenses were paid.

CANNED MEATS SUCCESS.

This year the association is putting up in eight-ounce vacuum-packed cans a large part of the meats extracted in the three cracking plants, from the growers' culls. Experiments extending for a period of three years have proved that walnut meats will keep sweet and fresh indefinitely if packed in vacuum, in hermetically sealed cans. The sales to date of this consumer package have exceeded all expectations and orders have been booked for nearly 15,000 cases of twenty-four cans each. This new departure provides the housewife with a package of walnut meats which is just as good to eat in July as in November, and which will help in establishing the California walnuts as an all-year-around food product.

The full-page advertisements now appearing in the national publications which will stimulate the consumption of Diamond brand walnuts are also carrying an announcement of this new package of meats. In this way it is hoped to greatly increase the consumption through the spring and summer months.

We can all remember that in the East several years ago we seldom thought of buying raisins except for Thanksgiving and Christmas, but with the forceful advertisements of the Raisin Growers' Association, in recent years, and the popularizing of raisin pie and raisin bread, even the smallest country grocer carries a stock of package raisins the year around.

INCREASED CONSUMPTION.

To take care of the increasing production, the Walnut Growers' Association is doing the same thing, and persuading consumers to eat walnuts during twelve months in the year instead of three. This new package of vacuum-packed meats will materially assist by giving the consumer sweet and fresh walnuts for use in salads and other delicacies through the summer months.

The association reports that its membership is rapidly increasing on account of the inability of many independent shippers to dispose of all the walnuts which they contracted for from the growers. It is easy enough for anyone to sell new-crop walnuts on a bare market if they reach the East in time for the holidays, but after the first flush is over, buyers realizing that the later purchaser will have to be sold after the turn of the year, are more particular, and they insist upon handling only the nationally advertised and carefully graded Diamond brand walnuts. That is the reason why the association is still selling its surplus

crop at the rate of several cars a day, while the independent shippers have in most cases closed their houses and refused to accept any more deliveries from their growers because they are unable to effect additional sales.

This situation brings home the fact that the system of careful grading and inspection pays in the long run, and growers selling their walnuts outside are rapidly getting the association point of view. It now looks as if the association next year would be entrusted with the marketing of even a larger proportion of the crop than this year.

SANTA PAULA AND FILLMORE HIGHWAY ASSURED

Complete pavement over the great highway between Los Angeles and Ventura by way of Santa Paula and Fillmore is assured with the action of the Los Angeles county board of supervisors in accepting bids on the six mile stretch of road between Castaic and the county line, according to word received from the Automobile Club of Southern California.

This is the last section of highway on that route to be paved, and although it is in good condition at this time, the complete paving between the rich Santa Paula section and Los Angeles is of particular significance to the entire southern part of the state.

When the work has been finished, the state highway commission will start the paving of the Conejo grade on the regular coast route to Santa Barbara, it is stated. This cannot be attempted until another satisfactory route has been provided for the heavy travel between Southern California and San Francisco along the coast.

The "Castaic" highway improvement is within the jurisdiction of Los Angeles county, and is part of the arrangement made with Ventura county relative to the general improving of the Santa Paula and Fillmore route, brought about through the efforts of the Automobile club in behalf of state motorists and the commercial development of the valley.

METHODIST MEN ATTEND BANQUET IN GLENDORA

A number of local Methodists were in attendance last evening at a men's banquet and meeting, held in the Glendora Methodist church. The principal speaker of the evening was the Rev. W. C. Buckner, pastor of the First Methodist church of Pomona, who delivered his popular lecture, "Hide Bound."

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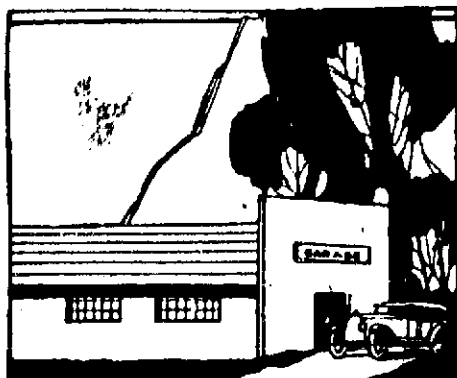
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News of the Valley

WEST COVINA.

The Parent-Teachers' association is planning a Christmas entertainment to be held at the schoolhouse on Friday evening, December 19. There will be a tree and a treat for the children, and everyone attending is asked to bring clothing or some other gift for the poor. A Christmas box will be packed and sent to the Parent-Teachers' association in Los Angeles for distribution. The committee in charge of arrangements includes Mrs. Sawyer, Mrs. Dulin, Mrs. Pratt, and Miss Rhodes.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Watts and family of Merced street spent Sunday in Compton with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Cannon and family of Cameron street spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Remmers in Pasadena.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jackley and Miss Dorothy Jackley were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. Durfee on Sunday evening.

Mrs. C. C. Stevens of Merced street has been confined to her bed with illness this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Gray of Sunset avenue have as their house guest this week Mrs. W. C. Conrad of Santee.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Hurst and children of Orange avenue and Merced street spent Sunday in Pasadena as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stephens.

Herbert Hendley of Long Beach, who has just returned from several months' visit in New York and New Jersey, has been visiting since Saturday his mother, Mrs. Sophia Hendley, his aunt, Mrs. Blanche Clague, and his cousin, Mr. J. A. Elston.

Mrs. J. J. Mulrooney of San Bernardino road, who was severely injured in an automobile accident last week, is much better. On account of the serious cut which she received, however, she will not be able to sit up for some time.

William Bradley of Joplin, Missouri, has been the guest for a few days this week of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Taylor of Orange street.

Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Shoeff of Arroyo Drive spent Monday in Los Angeles.

Mrs. J. R. Stafford and Mrs. J. S. Alexander entertained friends on Friday at the home of Mrs. Stafford on Lark Ellen boulevard. The guests were Mrs. C. Krantz, Mrs. Walter Wolsey, Mrs. O. G. Hoar, Mrs. C. A. Lang, Mrs. D. Von der Loh, Mrs. Glogge, and Mrs. Pratt.

Mrs. H. A. Seaman of Puente street was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Williams, in Los Angeles for a few days this week.

Vernon Taylor of the battleship New Mexico has been enjoying a four days' leave at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Taylor, this week. The New Mexico is in San Pedro harbor.

Mrs. J. N. Gates of Puente avenue attended the funeral services of an old friend in Los Angeles on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Gates entertained Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Gay of Sierra Madre and a cousin, Mr. Raymond Thompson, from the east.

Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Hoar and family and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wolsey and family called on Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vaught in Whittier last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Von der Loh have as their house guest this week Miss Sophia Connel of Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Taschner and Miss Elfrida Taschner spent Monday in Long Beach.

CHARTER OAK

Mrs. George E. Pillsbury of Los Angeles has been spending several days this week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Pinkney.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Zug and daughter, Miss Minnie Zug, were dinner guests on Sunday of the former's daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jackson of Glendora.

The next meeting of the Charter Oak Thimble club will be an all-day sewing meeting, to be held at the home of Mrs. A. Montgomery.

Mrs. C. P. Colver, Mrs. W. I. Pinkney, Mrs. H. O. Mace and Mrs. Walter Hughes represented the Thimble club at the meeting of the council of administration of the Associated Charities held at the Alexandria hotel in Los Angeles on Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Zug of East Cypress avenue entertained at dinner on Thursday of last week Reverend and Mrs. George Bushore of Glendora and Mr. and Mrs. Mishler of Indiana, who are conducting evangelistic services in the Church of the Brethren at Glendora.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Clipping of Bonita avenue had as house guests last week the latter's sister, Mrs. H. Conring, and daughter, Jane, of Visalia, Ohio, who are at present stopping in Los Angeles.

There was a called meeting of the Charter Oak Thimble club on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. O. Mace for the purpose of cutting out work for the club use.

The fourteen months' old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hansen, which has been seriously ill with bronchitis, is now out of danger and rapidly recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Brown of Redlands are the guests this week of the latter's niece and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hansen.

IRWINDALE.

Mrs. Adelaide Wiley of Altadena is spending a few days with friends in Baldwin Park and Covina this week.

Charles E. Cook of Rivera, formerly manager of the Todd ranch, was visiting friends in Irwindale on Sunday.

Howard Harris and wife and Mrs. H. Williams of San Dimas, Mrs. C. Godlove and wife and daughter, Evelyn, Mrs. J. E. Pixley and Mrs. Moody of Pomona were Sunday afternoon guests at the home of Mr. F. P. Harris on Vincent avenue.

Mrs. F. L. Worley and Mrs. John Lang attended the meeting of the women's council of community service at the Alexandria hotel on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Philico of Orange avenue entertained on Thursday Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wade of Cement, Oklahoma, who are wintering in Southern California.

HOW IMPORTANT IS SCHOOL AND WHY

The following essay, prepared and read before the Y. M. C. A. Younger Boys' conference, at La Verne, by Ralph Deaver, a fifteen-year-old Puente boy, is worthy the careful thought and attention of every grammar and high school student. And even many a father, if he weighs the thoughts, so ably expressed by this young boy, will hesitate in permitting his son to leave school at an early age, if he fully realizes the future loss which will accrue to the boy through the lack of a practical educational foundation.—Ed.

"I think the most important place for a boy to be until he is eighteen, at least, is in school; for several reasons: first, because the boy who finishes high school is able to earn a good deal more than the one who never goes any further than grammar school. He has learned more and is able to take more responsible positions. Second: school life makes it necessary for him to learn regular habits of living. He has certain times for studies and certain times for his athletics and it was proven in the army that regular hours helped the soldiers to be stronger and better men than they were before they were in service. So it will help him to grow stronger physically as he takes part in athletics, and mentally as he learns his lessons regularly. His mind and body will grow up together and his place in the world will be a larger one because he has a knowledge of everything around him.

"The boy that leaves school and begins working without any further education can usually be found during his spare time either riding a motorcycle up and down the boulevard or loafing around the street corners wishing he had money enough to buy one. He doesn't do himself or anyone else any good and life becomes very uninteresting to him at times.

"The boy who takes advantage of all the education he can afford finds interest in everything around him. He always has ideas, finds things to think about and he can give his ideas to others. So he becomes a leader. He learns that if he always keeps his mind and body clean and in training, he is happier and better able to play the game. A clean mind and body makes a finer home for the spirit and school is the only place where he learns to develop and take care of himself, mentally and physically, so I think it is very important that he should stay in school as long as he can do so."

HEADS OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT VISIT HERE

Dr. E. F. Phillips and Prof. George Demuth of the Bureau of Entomology, Washington, D. C., and M. C. Richter of Modesto, author of "Honey Plants of California," were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bixby, Sr., on Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Bixby will be in San Diego this week for the final lectures of the University Extension course on bee culture.

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Mixed Candy, per pound	27c
Walnuts, new crop	25c
Ben Hur and White King Soap	5 bars 29c
Seedless Raisins, Del Monte, 11 oz. package	16c
Seeded Raisins, Sunmaid, 15 oz. package	19c
Royal Baking Powder, per can, 12 oz.	35c
Rumford Baking Powder, per can, 1lb	24c
Ghiradelli's Ground Chocolate, 1lb can	37c
Baker's Unsweetened Chocolate, 1lb package	47c
Bishop's National Cocoa, 1lb package	39c
Carnation Wheat Flakes, large package	31c
Carnation Oak Flakes, large package	36c
Kellogg's Corn Flakes, per pkg.	12c
Post Toasties, per package	12c
Shredded Wheat	2 pkgs. 25c
H-O	2 pkgs. 35c
Flap-Jack, large package	31c
Flap-Jack, small package	16c
Van Camp's Pork & Beans, medium size can	16c
Vinegar (pure apple cider), full quart	14c
Olive Oil, Sylmar, large bottles	\$1.32
Rice, Japan style, per pound	15c
Palm-Olive Soap	3 for 25c
Tea Garden Syrup, quart can	47c
Tea Garden Syrup, ½ gal. can	87c
Tea Garden Syrup, 1 gal. can	\$1.57
Hills Bros. Uncolored Japan Tea, first picking, per pound	65c
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EDITORIAL

One Hundred Years of Carelessness

Stuart J. Flinham, head of the forestry department for Los Angeles county, is making a lot of people listen to him these days, following the great fire that swept off the brush cover of the forest.

Flinham, as he says, is not going to preach a new doctrine, but to renew and revive an old one, that has been known, and has lain in the back of the heads of the wise since the ancients learned the fundamentals of the conservation of natural resources.

If tree growth is swept off by fire, the precipitous slopes erode with the torrential rains. The silt and detritus of the hills comes down into the valleys. Streams change their courses. Harbors are made unsafe and costly because of the inflowing streams which fill the roadsteads with silt. All this is very well known to the people of Southern California.

HAS A REMEDY.

But Flinham is offering a remedy. It is something not contained in our flood control program, or if a part of it, merely in a sketchy way. His plan is to arouse the people of every ranch family, and in the home of every business man and woman, to take up seriously, determinedly and successfully, the plan of replanting and reseeded the mountain slopes. He must have the brain and the brawn of the whole of this Southern California coastal plain to put this thing through. He has been talking before groups and clubs of men in Los Angeles. He has interested the Los Angeles chamber of commerce. He has interested the women of various clubs, and is talking to club women whenever it is possible.

In a recent address he said, in part: "In almost every other country and section of the world forest planting is a settled policy except in our own country. Here we have no forest planting policy, and are doing practically no forest planting anywhere, although we are cutting our great timber resources off at a rate five times as rapid as their annual growth.

"In South Africa and in Argentine Republic extensive eucalyptus plantations have been set out strictly as commercial propositions.

"In France they have been establishing extensive commercial plantations for years, and utility and econ-

omic planting has been done extensively also to anchor sand dune lands. The German planted forests have been a real demonstration of German efficiency for a couple of hundred years.

"Following the Russo-Japanese war, extensive planting was begun by the Japanese government in Korea, and has been continued since, and since the great war very extensive planting has been carried on in England.

THE CASE OF CHINA.

"Northern and central China was once a forest country, but the forests became denuded, and as results great floods have swept the Chinese plains, eroding the fertile valleys or piling them deep with silt, and drowning hundreds of thousands of the teeming population.

"Finally, tracing the source of this flood damage back to the denuded state of the mountains, the Chinese government started on a policy of reforestation, which is being continued annually, but so complete has been the erosion in their mountains they have been forced to carry soil washed down to the plains back up the mountains in baskets, carried on the back of the coolies, to regain the soil-cover in which to start the reforestation planting.

"The denudation and erosion of our mountains in Southern California has not yet progressed to the point where we must follow this slow and painful process as carried out in China, but the continued progress of destruction such as we have seen happening in our mountains in late years might bring us to the same expedient.

ONCE A FOREST.

"Destructive erosion in our mountains has probably all happened within the period of the last hundred years. A hundred years ago—in the early Spanish days, the mountain streams flow out to the ocean across the up-lands and valleys through baranas bordered with tree growth, the mountain forest trees running down along these stream channels to mingle with the hardwood tree growth of the valleys, and the streams flowed out through these bowers of forest growth year long, not as torrents through the rainy season, but as mountain brooks that summer or winter never failed.

"The spread of the forest fires in our mountains changed all this. Gradually, the great debris cones have piled up at the mouths of the canyons. The torrential flow of the streams during the rainy season tore great arroyos through the uplands and spread floods over the valleys, changing from one channel to another, cutting away the fertile agricultural land, and spreading great washes of sand and debris across the valleys. Older residents have watched during their lifetime the ever increasing destruction and the ruin of the fertile valleys.

ALL THAT REMAINS.

"Among the evidences of the forest growth that formerly covered our mountain watershed that all may observe are the little wedges of pine and spruce, islands surrounded by a sea of brush, that lie sheltered in coves and canyons running up to the crest of the ridges.

"These trees are no new or recent growth; they are older than the earliest white settlers of the country. They are the vestige of the forests of the early Mission days, preserved by reason of their protected position in the heads of the canyons from the destruction of the oft recurring forest fires.

"It was from such forest growth as seen in these little coves and arroyos that the native Indians, led by the Mission Fathers, hewed out and carried down the mountain slopes and across the valleys the great timbers that formed the beams and roof trees of the missions."

Real Estate License Law Now in Effect

The real estate license law now in effect provides that it shall be unlawful for any person, co-partnership or corporation, to engage in the business or act in the capacity of a real estate broker, or a real estate salesman, within this state without first obtaining a license therefor.

It does not apply to an owner who handles his own property.

The real estate commissioner has full power to regulate and control the issuance and revocation of licenses.

When a license is issued to a corporation the officers other than the president are required to obtain a license if engaged in the real estate business as a whole or partial vocation.

Application for license must be made to the commissioner, accompanied by the recommendation of two real estate owners of the county in which the applicant resides, or has his place of business, certifying that the applicant is honest, truthful and of good reputation, and recommending that a license be granted.

Application for license as real estate salesman must be accompanied by the recommendation of his employer.

Fees required are: for broker, \$10 per annum; for a corporation the license will entitle the president to act as broker, for other officers the fee will be \$2 each.

If a co-partnership the license will entitle one member to act and additional members shall be required to pay \$2 each.

For salesmen's license the fee will be \$2.

Each person, firm or corporation licensed shall be required to have and maintain a definite place of business in the state.

Before suspending or revoking any license the commissioner shall notify in writing the holder of license and afford an opportunity to be heard in person or by counsel.

Decision of commissioner in suspending or revoking license shall be subject to review by court.

Any person acting as real estate broker or salesman without license shall upon conviction be punished by fine not to exceed \$2000, or by imprisonment not to exceed two years, or both; or if a corporation, be punished by a fine of not to exceed \$5000.

Licensed brokers shall not pay commission to unlicensed brokers or salesmen.

No one can maintain any action in court for collection of commission unless duly licensed broker or salesman.

BAPTIST MISSION CIRCLE MEETS WITH MRS. PENCE

The threatening weather of last Thursday afternoon prevented many from attending the monthly meeting of the Mission Circle of the Baptist church at the home of Mrs. A. M. Pence. But those who did attend enjoyed studying and discussing the lesson of the language question, from the book, "Christian Americanization," led by Mrs. A. Watson Brown. It was brought out distinctly that only by the one common language could the assimilation of the immigrants be made complete.

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Walnut Growers Meet on Monday, Dec. 15

There will be a mass meeting of the walnut growers at the West Covina schoolhouse on Monday, Dec. 15, at 1:30 p.m. This will be also a joint meeting of the three farm centers of West Covina, El Monte, and Puente.

A number of men will address the meeting on topics of interest. Professor Fletcher of the University of California will speak on the subject of "Selection of Orchard Tractors" and "Trouble-Finding in Tractors." Dr. Bachelor of the Riverside experiment station will speak on "Winter Injury and Die-Back in Trees." Mr. Goodspeed, also of Riverside, will have as his subject "Heart Failure of Walnut Trees," and Professor Smith, "Dusting For Prevention of Pests." Professor Quayle will speak on the "Present Status of the Codlin Moth." Mr. Hodgson, farm advisor of Los Angeles county, will be present and will speak on "National Federation of Farm Bureaus."

All walnut men and others interested are invited to be present.

Big Resort Park for Orange Show

San Bernardino, Dec. 11.—To provide for adequate space for the increased size of the national orange show, to be held in San Bernardino on February 13 to 23, the exposition directors have leased Urbana park, a big pleasure resort, and the construction will begin at once.

Ten acres will be covered with great tents, three of the largest canvas auditoriums in the United States not being owned by the orange show. A carnival zone will cover almost as much more territory.

A new attraction to the orange show this winter will be a water carnival. On the lake at the resort park a pageant will be staged to depict some of the features in the romantic story of the orange.

According to information to the directors from railroad offices and eastern information bureaus, the orange show will be attended by many thousands of easterners who have heard of the fame of the exposition.

SIX CHURCH BOARDS MEET IN ALL-DAY SESSION

The official board members of the Azusa, Baldwin Park, Covina, Glendora, Monrovia, and Puente Methodist churches were in an all-day conference at the Covina Methodist church on Tuesday, discussing ways and means for launching the "Century Conservation Plans" for the church in 1920. The gathering was presided over by Rev. C. O. Kimball, pastor of the Glendora Methodist church, and chairman of the district.

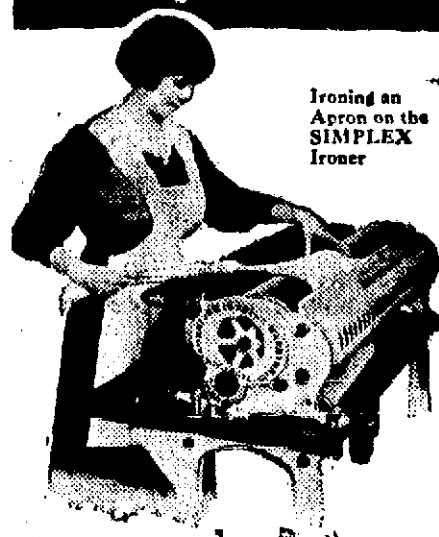
Last year the Methodist church in America raised \$1,000,000 for extension work. The coming year its aim is to add 1,000,000 souls to the church, and its entire activities for the next six months will be devoted to evangelistic work.

The speaker at the evening service was the venerable Bishop William Bell of the United Brethren church. The address was followed by an enthusiastic "experience meeting," participated in by the congregation.

ORANGE MARMALADE MADE FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

The Westminster class of the Presbyterian church, of which Mrs. C. A. Foreman is the teacher, spent Wednesday afternoon and evening in the church kitchen making orange marmalade which will be sent as a Christmas offering to the county hospital. The young ladies brought basket suppers with them, which were spread in the dining room.

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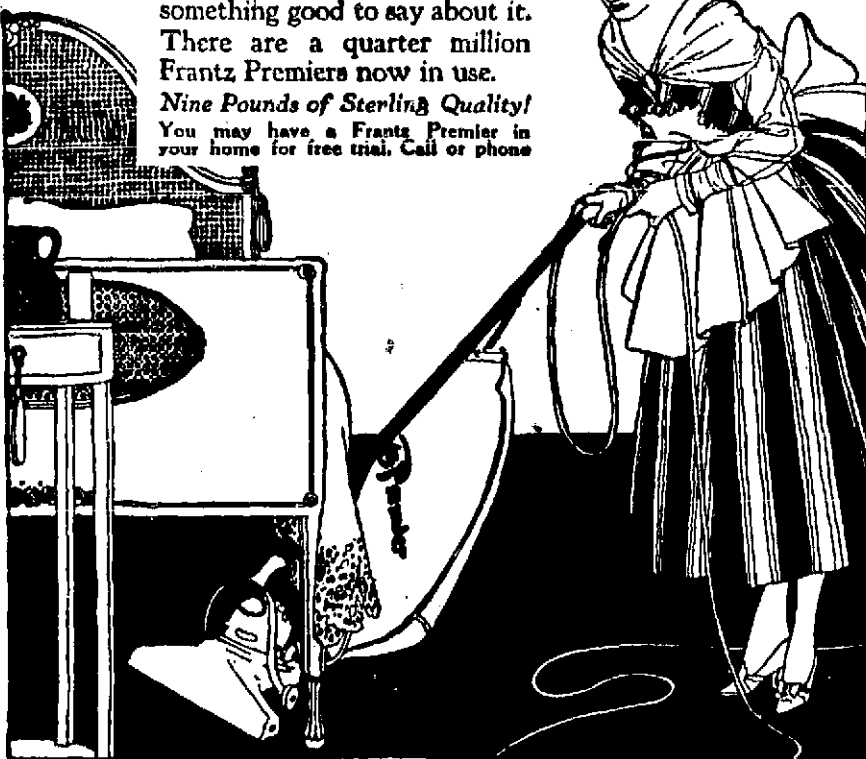


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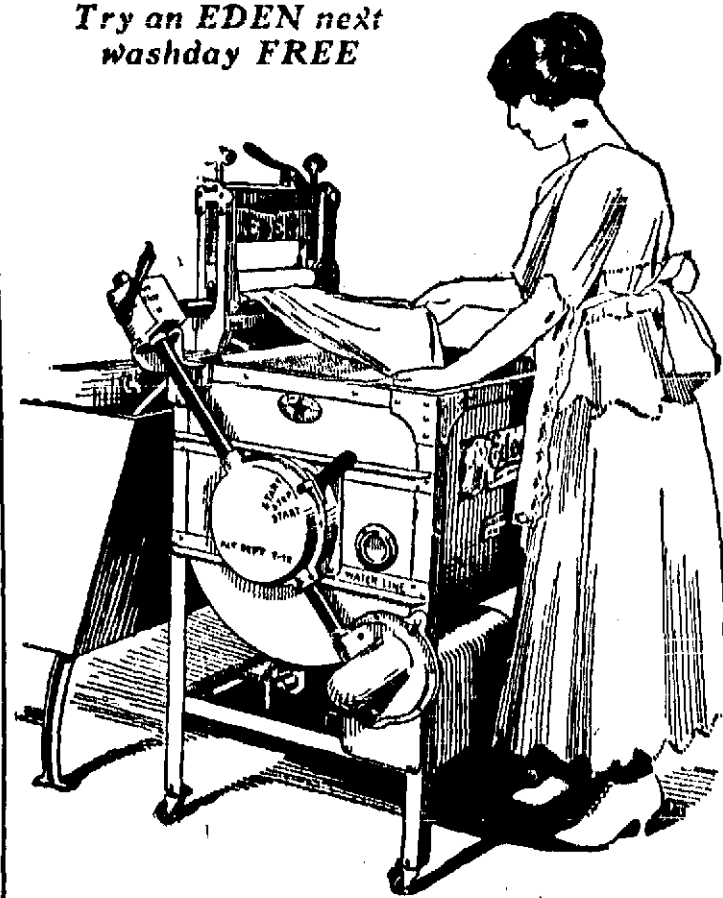
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"By what God-given right has a railroad to say that others may not operate, if such operation should cause them to lose money?" This is a question asked by Mr. George A. Montrose, counsel of Cincocchio Brothers, of Gardnerville, Nevada, whose application for a certificate to operate their trucking business in the Carson valley has been held up by protest from the Virginia and Truckee Railroad.

In our sister state of Nevada the pioneer fight of the people against the selfish, dominating influences of the railroads is on. Upon its outcome, to a large extent will depend the question as to whether the people will have the right to use the public roads, which their millions have constructed, for their benefit and convenience as they see fit, or whether, through onerous legislation, fostered by the railroads, the use of the most modern and efficient method of transportation, that of motor trucks, shall be so hampered and stifled by throttling rules and restrictions, that they will be compelled to sink back into the slough of the archaic, expensive, utterly insufficient and inefficient, uncompeti-

tive service of the established railroad lines.

In view of the pending legislation in California similar to that passed by the legislature of Nevada, effective April 1, 1919, the fight in that state is being watched with keen interest by all interested in transportation in the west, both those who provide transportation and those who use and depend on it, for their comfort, necessities of life and their financial success. It is being watched with especially careful scrutiny by those whose foresight, following the bright pathway of the beacon light that leads into the future, sees revealed the ultimate serious delay to universal progress, the set-back to prosperity, comfort and convenience which such a muffling of the right of every man to make use of the advanced idea that will best satisfy his every growing need and ambition, means.

The fight has been precipitated by the protest of the Virginia and Truckee Railroad to the formal application of the Cincocchio Bros., truckmen of Gardnerville, for a certificate from the public service commission of the state, in full and complete accord with the commission rules and regulations based upon the legislative act in question.

DON'T BUY TEXAS OIL STOCK SAYS DR. JAMES ANDERSON

Dr. James Anderson of El Paso, Texas, the oldest son of Mrs. George Anderson of Puente street, is here from the east on account of the serious character of his mother's illness.

In speaking with an Argus reporter this week he voiced a note of warning against speculation in Texas oil stocks.

"Texas has some wonderful oil fields," said Dr. Anderson, "but the vast majority of the companies seeking to dispose of their stocks in California and other states, are fakes, pure and simple. If these companies should strike oil, the foreign and small investor would be frozen out by the promoters. To the outside, the Texas oil game is one of 'tails you lose and heads I win.' Tell your readers to stay out of the Texas oil game, and if they feel they must throw their money away, buy their wives some fur, or do some other rash act that will at least provide a little pleasure for the money expended."

BALDWIN PARK MAN DIES AFTER LINGERING ILLNESS

The death occurred Saturday of Mr. Francis Anabel, 55, at the home of his son in Baldwin Park. Mr. Anabel had made his home in Baldwin Park for the past year. He had been a sufferer for many years prior to his death. The funeral was in charge of the Odd Fellows and was held at undertaking parlors in Riverside. Interment was made beside his wife in the family plot in the Riverside cemetery on Tuesday at 2:30. W. Q. Custer had charge of arrangements.

NOTICE OF CHANGE OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS.

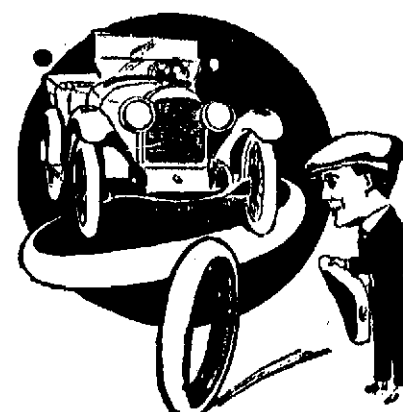
Notice of Intention to Change the Principal Place of Business of the Omaha Water Company.

Pursuant to the written consent of the holders of more than two-thirds of the subscribed and issued capital stock of the Omaha Water Company, which written consent has been obtained and is now on file in the office of the corporation, and pursuant to the resolution of the Board of Directors of said corporation, ordering the removal and change herein mentioned be made. Notice is hereby given that it is the intention of said corporation to remove and change its principal place of business from the City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, State of California, to Covina, Los Angeles County, State of California, said removal and change to take effect Jan. 1, 1920, after the due publication of this notice. By order of the Board of Directors. W. B. MEIKLE, Secretary of Omaha Water Company. R. B. BIDWELL, Attorney for said corporation.

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Ellis Parker Butler Was Fifty Last Week

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music of the wedding march, with my bald head shining like a white watermelon, almost made me collapse with shame. And the worst of it was that my hair did begin to come out by handfuls. I shed hair like a cat in the springtime. Those were awful days! I saw myself doomed to a life of hairless disgrace and degradation.

At fifty I have more hair than a man of that age is expected to have; and I don't care a continental whether it stays or goes. It has worn well. If it goes tomorrow I can say, "No matter, it was a good crop while it lasted, and it lasted well." If I become absolutely bald it will be a good publicity feature, like the late Bill Nye's baldness. I should worry!

At fifty the few pains and aches I have are, so to speak, standardized. They are old friends; if they went away I should miss them. I should not be myself without them.

There is one I am especially fond of, because I have had it so long. It resides in my thumb. I have had that pain so many years that I have, so to speak, built my character around it, as an oyster builds the beautiful, lustrous pearl around the intruding grain of sand.

For forty years I used to howl when that pain came. I used to lie across a chair, or a log, or a hammock of ground, and howl when it made remarks. Twenty years ago when that pain gripped me I used to imagine death was about to end my promising career. Today I treat like an old friend when it makes itself felt. It can't fool me. I know its tricks and its manners. I say "Hello! Hello! Here you are again, are you? Welcome 'ome, old top! Sorry I can't give you more attention, but I've got such a lot to do; just hang around until you get ready to go, old sport, and make yourself comfortable."

At fifty my general health is better than it ever was. I have shaken off a bilious headache that was the curse of my youthful days. Proper eyeglasses have corrected an astigmatism that gave me other headaches twenty years ago. With the same glasses I can see as well as now as I ever did. My appetite is as good as it ever was. I enjoy everything in life more than I ever did. I am more sure of myself. I know what I can do, and I am not afraid of it.

At fifty a young man should have just about completed his preparations to begin to live his real life. There are some precocious young fellows who "get their growth" by the time they are forty-five, but I am not one of them. There are some few prodigies who do worth-while living before forty, but there are not many of them.

At fifty the man begins to live the worth-while life of a man, as distinguished from his life as a mere animal. At fifty he should have his family pretty well built up and complete, his experimental crops sown, and be ready to do his work and to enjoy his life in a hearty, unafraid, efficient manner.

Without checking up the items carefully, and without claiming that some things done by the youngsters are not worth keeping, I venture to say the world would be surprised to find how much of its best literature, art, the drama, mechanical inventions and so on would remain if everything done by men and women under fifty were eliminated.

At fifty a man is just about mature, in this climate. And he is not a tomato; he does not decay as soon as he is ripe. He stays ripe and sound for many years, and each of his years beyond fifty should be worth five or ten of his earlier unripe years.

To the young fellow of twenty-five it may seem that the man of fifty is an aged and doddering wreck who must have the thought of death constantly in mind. I'll venture to say, judging by myself, that—except when the life insurance man comes around with his propaganda—the man of fifty never thinks of death at all. Why should he?

Personally, I worried a great deal more about life insurance and what style of coffin I'd like when I was twenty-one than I do now. Now I carry all of life insurance I can afford, as a plain business proposition, and let it go at that. When I was twenty-one I worried about dying at some untimely age and leaving someone or other to starve to death, as per the prospectus. Well, I having become skeptical about people starving to death, I've never yet seen anyone do it.

I mention this death business because I am trying to imagine what a young fellow believes a man of fifty thinks of. I know some of them think we fifty-year-olds are decrepit old ruins, dwelling in the past and looking forward to an early dissolution.

Take my word for it, sonny, no man of fifty, unless he is suffering from some dire disease, thinks of death at all, as applicable to himself. As for myself, seeing how things are going nowadays, I don't give death a thought. For all I know, and all you know, before I am ten years older the Great Manager of Things may decide it is time to back to the old regime, and make men live five hundred or six hundred or nine hundred and sixty-nine years, as they did in the days of Methuselah and Noah. So why should I worry?

At eighty or ninety, I imagine, some men do get a little weary of life and begin to be indifferent to its continuance; but at fifty many things are just beginning to be interesting. Until lately I have been so busy raising a family, and getting a home, and one thing and another, that I have not time to give proper attention to my golf. I am planning to put in thirty or forty good years improving my game. I have discovered that you cannot avoid faults in your golf unless you know what they are, and you cannot thoroughly know a golf fault until you acquire it. I think I have now acquired all the golf faults there are, and from now on I mean to have a lot of fun getting rid of them.

Another thing I need a lot of time for now is my postage stamp collection. For forty years or so I have sort of fiddled along with it, getting ac-

quainted with the general methods and outlines of the sport, and deciding just what to specialize in.

I have now a pretty fair working knowledge, and know what I want to do in that line. I need a lot of time for that; I don't expect to do any very great things at it until I really get some leisure—say when I am eighty or ninety years old—but in the meantime I want to pick up a few rarities now and then. To do that I will have to make a little more money than I have been making, because I have reached a point where the stamps I need run into money rapidly.

And I expect, in the next twenty or thirty years, to spend quite a little on my fishing. After forty years of it I am just beginning to learn how to fish properly. And I want to grow some real flowers. I want to have a tulip bed that will draw people from a hundred miles and make them beg for bulbs. But I have not been able to get at the tulip affair this year because I have been out touring the country as a platform humorist. There are half-dozen other things I am planning to do; but all these are subsidiary to my writing, of course.

At fifty I feel that I am about ready to begin my life work as a writer. For the past few years, thirty or forty of them, I have been experimenting around and trying to get my bearings and learn what life really is. I have done some pretty raw, inexperienced stuff, but it has been worth while because a young fellow has to go through the experimental stage. It takes time to decide what one really wants to do, and how he wants to do it. But when a man is fifty, with a long life ahead of him and a fair notion of what he wants to do, he begins to be hopeful.

At fifty I feel that I am about ready to begin writing the eight or ten novels I have been wanting to write. Amelia E. Barr was about fifty years old when she began writing novels, and she wrote about seventy of them after that. Richardson wrote "Pamela"—some call it the first modern novel—when he was fifty. Daniel Defoe turned to fiction only when he was fifty-five.

There are hundreds of writers who did all their work, or most of their best work, after fifty. Oliver Wendell Holmes was forty-eight when he wrote the "Autocrat of the Breakfast Table," his first great work. Longfellow wrote "Hiawatha" when he was forty-eight, and much of his best work followed. Whittier wrote "Snow-bound" and "Maud Muller" at fifty-nine, and continued writing until he was seventy-nine. Tennyson was still writing at eighty-three. "Trilby" was written when Du Maurier was sixty; "Les Misérables" when Victor Hugo was sixty; "Kenilworth" when Scott was fifty, with sixteen novels following it.

Reckoning a man's life by years is the biggest sort of blunder. All of a man's worth-while living may come after he is fifty and fifty-one I may catch my biggest trout, and I expect to do it. After fifty I may write my best stories, and I mean to do it.

At fifty, I feel myself reaching my full powers, mentally and physically; capable of more work and better work, more play and better play; and with so many years of work and play ahead of me that I never so much as think of my age, or of being any age. I am keen and eager to get right at the next job I have on hand, and to make it a better piece of work than any I have done.

At twenty my life was a feverish adventure, at thirty it was a problem, at forty it was a labor, at fifty it is a joyful journey well begun.

CITRUS AVENUE WOMAN CALLED ON JURY DUTY

Mrs. J. S. Wine of Citrus avenue has been called in jury duty on civil and criminal cases in Judge McCormick's court this week.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Covina Fruit Exchange will be held at the office of the corporation in the City of Covina, County of Los Angeles, State of California, on Monday, the 15th day of December, 1919, at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

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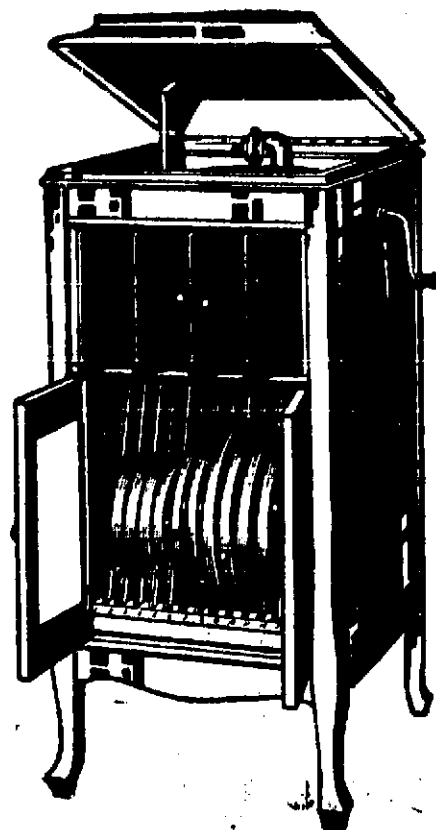
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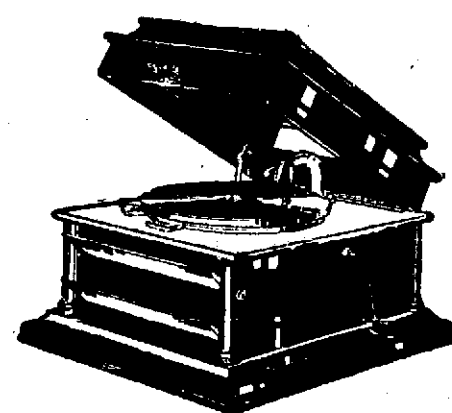


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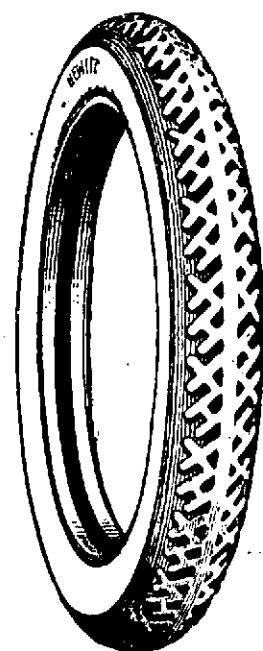
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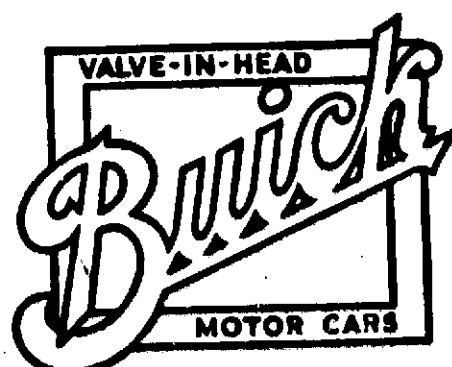
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